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## Nixon's pals abuse Stewart-Warner workers!

Things are bad at Stewart-Warner. Last year a woman died there because of inadequate health facilities. A Black shop steward with 15 years at S-W was recently fired for walking the wrong way from the coffee machine. And that's just the tip of the iceberg. Many of the men who run Stewart-Warner are friends of 'Tricky' Dick Nixon.

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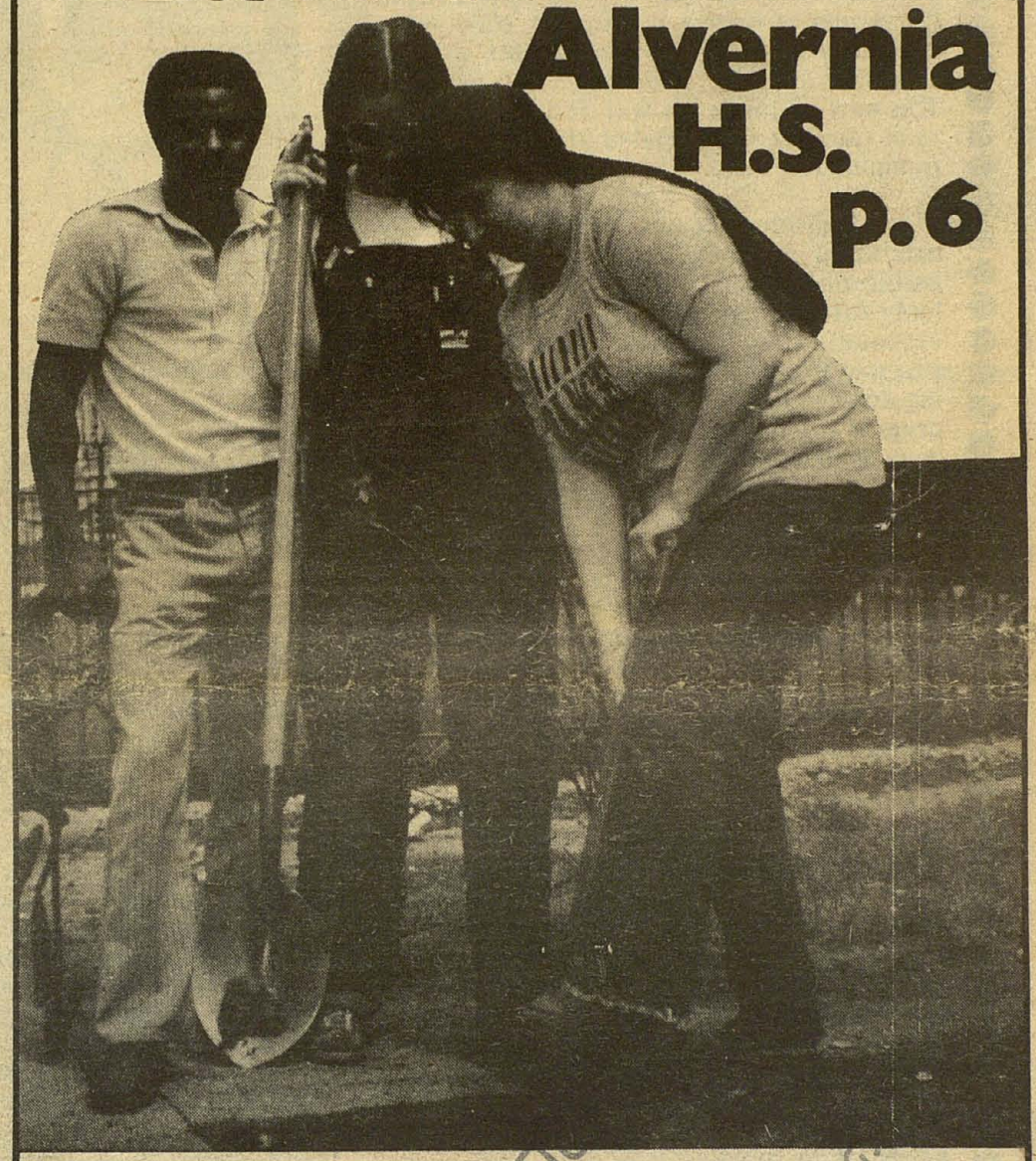

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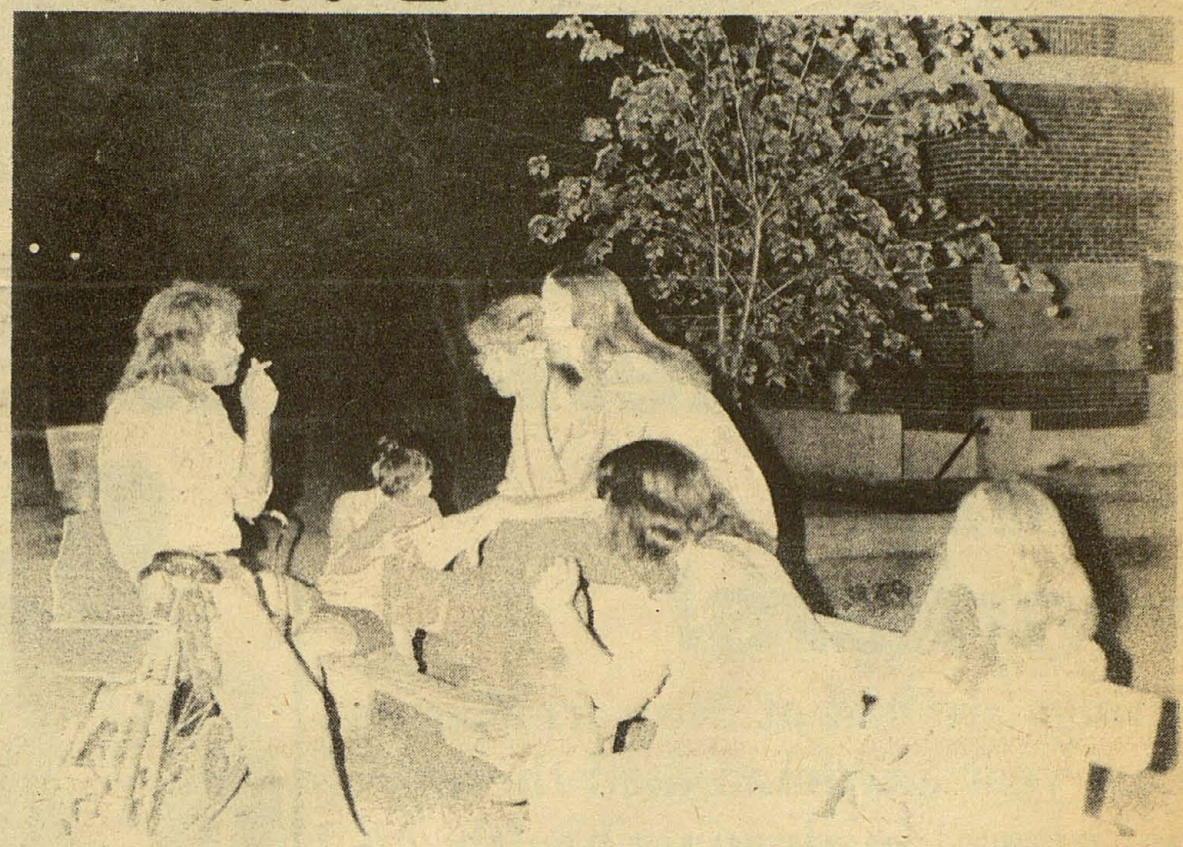
# DRUG NOTEBOOK

## •PART 2•

## SUMMERTIME BLUES

## BARBITURATES & RELATED DRUGS



It's no surprise that with the increasing pressures of day-to-day living, the use of depressants (downers, quaaludes, THC, and alcohol) is rapidly on the rise. The purpose of this series is not to lecture people about the dangers of drugs, because it's all been said before. Instead, we hope to provide a practical understanding of how to deal with the results of increased drug use, such as OD's, and to give some insights into the 'whys' of drug use, addiction , and overdose. This part of the series will deal with barbiturates (downers) and related drugs (sopors, tranquilizers, etc.).

Barbiturates,such as tuinals and seconals, are a class of drugs all synthesized from barbituric acid, and are eliminated from the body through the liver and kidneys at varying rates. They are classified according to this rate (long, intermediate, and short-acting downers). The major action of these drugs is the depression of the Central Nervous System (CNS). Quaaludes, sopors, etc. are composed of a drug known as methaqualone, and is classified similar to downers and tranquilizers as a sedative-hypnotic, even though it's not a barbiturate.

The high closely resembles drunkness and all of its effects, such as incoordination, an unsteady walk, confusion, memory impairment, slurred speech, and a tendency towards rowdiness.

One of the most dangerous aspects of the use of these drugs is that of physical and psychological dependence, or addiction. Tolerance (the need for more and more to get the same high) develops after prolonged use, but the amount it takes to overdose stays the same. Eventually heavy users can get to the point where they OD before they get off. Another factor, and something that happens too much, is called 'drug automatism', a state in which the person forgets that he has taken the drug or how much, and keeps taking more.

The most frequent cause of overdose occurs when alcohol is consumed with these drugs. What happens is something called potentiation---which means that the alcohol multiplies the effects of the drugs, and the result is very unpredictable. More than a few people have passed out from this combination and vomitted, sometimes causing aspiration, which is inhaling vomit into the lungs.

Overdose from downers produces shock symptoms, deep coma, respiratory and kidney failure, and occasionally convulsions and death.

If you can determine that the person has taken an overdose, take them to a hospital immediately! The quicker treatment begins, the less danger the person is in. If he or she is still conscious, keep him or her awake and alternate between walking and sitting down. You must keep the person conscious. Encourage them to drink fluids (water, coke, etc.,--not alcohol) and continue this care during the entire duration of the possible overdose.

In a severe overdose, the person will become unconscious; breathing may be slow, or rapid and shallow. Late in the course of barbiturate poisoning the person's oxygen intake will become deficient, blood pressure will fall, and shock symptoms will develop (see Part I in Rising Up Angry, Vol.5 No.15 for dealing with shock). The skin will become cold and clammy, body temperature drops, and the fingernails and lips turn blue. Respiratory and kidney failure are the two which ultimately lead to death.

Symptoms of a methaqualone overdose are different from those of barbiturates. Methaqualone can produce a near comatose state without interfering greatly with pulse respiration or pain response; the person can be revived momentarily, but is very likely to slip back into coma if he is not attended to carefully. We will again repeat that another drug should never be used to counteract the effect of an overdose on anything.

Extended use of large doses of these drugs can cause permanent liver damage, and injecting them can result in abscesses and blown out or collapsed veins. Most barbs are generally not water soluble, and lumps may cause blockage of a vein. In time these can plug areas of the brain, liver, kidneys or the circulatory system of the lungs.

Withdrawal from addiction by someone with a strong habit should be done, if possible, in a place where a hospital and nursing facilities are available. The withdrawal must be done very slowly and carefully, since to kick cold (just stop completely) may result in convulsions and death.

As we mentioned before, the increased use of depressants such as downers, THC, and alcohol is directly related to the rising pressures of everyday life. Everybody looks for a way to ease those pressures, but how many of those ways work in any kind of lasting way?

Rising Up Angry believes that these pressures come from a society that is controlled by people who put money and profit before human life and think that it should stay that way. Government agencies and wealthy research foundations spend millions of dollars, only to tell us that drug problems come from inside our heads, 'personality disorders', they call them. 'There must be something wrong with you if you 're not satisfied with the quality of life.' And if you believe these lies, then you're right where they want you: powerless and confused and self-destructive.

The struggle to relieve these pressures and build a humane society is long and hard. It can and will be done, but not by people who only think about getting high, or by people who can't hardly think straight at all or who can't even stand up. People like this are only a threat to each other and to others who feel they are entitled to good lives also.

The only time things will really change for the good of the people is when we realize and help each other see that we can understand and deal with the problems that face us, together. And only then will we be anxious to see what the future will bring, instead of afraid.

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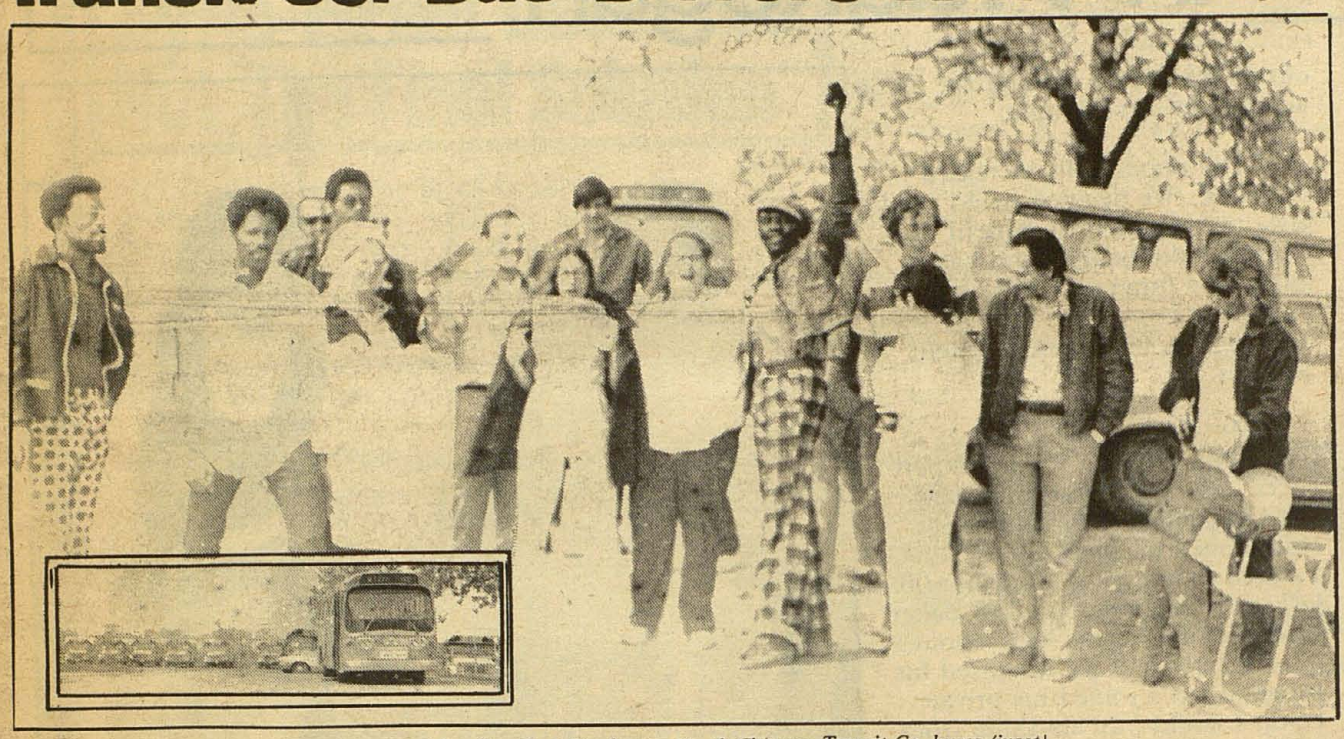
# Waukegan-North Chicago Transit Co. Bus Drivers Win Strike



*Some of the 55 bus drivers whose successful strike idled Waukegan North Chicago Transit Co. buses (inset).*

55 part-time bus drivers from the Waukegan - North Chicago Transit Co., 1400 10th St. in Waukegan, walked off their jobs on Wednesday, May 29. On Friday, May 31 they went back to work having won most of their demands. Here's what happened.

On Tuesday, May 28, the owner of the company, Mr. O'Brien, asked two drivers to make a rerun to Milwaukee with no pay. Now the part-time drivers make only $3 an hour on school bus runs and $2.50 an hour on charter runs, so this demand was outrageous. The supervisor told O'Brien that this was unfair. He quit to support the workers.

The next day the drivers, both men and women, went out on strike demanding $1 an hour increase in pay and the supervisor's job back if he wanted it. When the drivers went to negotiate with O'Brien he said the kids could walk to school before he would give up the money.

The unity of the drivers forced him to change his mind, because on Friday the bus drivers returned to work with $1 an hour raise on charter runs and a 50 cents an hour raise on school runs. The supervisor also got his job back. This was quite a solid victory for the drivers!

# WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION: who really benefits

Among the "benefits" that working people are supposed to have gained in the course of long, bloody labor struggles is workman's compensation.

Since good health care is a human right, and not something people should have to beg for or go into debt over, some kind of compensation for wages lost because of on-the-job injuries sounds like a reasonable idea.

But anyone who has ever tried to collect on an injury claim knows that the system we have now is a bureaucratic mess, involving legal tangles that we often times never can get around.

## Inadequate Benefits

Once the bureaucratic hassles are over the compensation isn't that good either. Only 22% of total wage losses are made up by workman's compensation.

Less than one percent of all compensation payments are for occupational diseases (e.g. the coal miners' black lung). the rest of the payments are for injuries sustained while on the job alone. Yet long term illnesses, caused by unsafe working conditions, are major causes of death and disability among workers.

For the families of workers killed on the job in Missouri in 1959, the families only received 10% of the wage loss in compensation. In California people who were totally disabled on the job received only 26% of their pay in compensation.

Nor are all workers covered by existing compensation laws. At least 20% of the work force (18 million people) is not covered. Agricultural, domestic, and casual workers are still excluded as are workers in small firms in 18 states.

(As it is now, grape and lettuce growers are not responsible in any way for the health needs of their workers. When the United Farm Workers win the right to negotiate, grower responsibility in this area will be part of any specific contract. Yet they will still not be covered by state workman's compensation laws.)

*Jack Smith, like millions of others, has no future due to an on-the-job injury. What workmen's compensation money that does exist goes mostly to insurance companies, doctors, hospitals, and lawyers, instead of to the injured workers who need and deserve the money.*

Look at these facts:

- In most states only two thirds of weekly pay is allowed by law to be given to the injured worker.
- Only 31 states offer any benefits for the duration of the injury.
- Only 16 states offer benefits to widows until death or remarriage and to dependent children until age 18.
- The injured worker is often coerced into taking a lump sum payment or be forced to take the insurance company to court to collect. This results in high lawyers and doctors fees in many cases. (Often the lawyers' and doctors' fees run as high as 30–35% of the settlement.)
- Only 24 states have provisions for rehabilitation of injured workers.

This data shows that working people benefit hardly at all from workman's compensation.

## Who, then does benefit?

About 36% of the money paid into workman's compensation funds nationally stays with the insurance companies, about one third goes toward medical and hospital expenses, so only about 42–43% goes directly to the worker as wage replacement.

Hence, insurance companies, hospitals, doctors, and lawyers make nifty profits from the program.

Industry benefits, too. Since workmen's compensation is not covered under the 1970 Occupational Health and Safety Act, nothing in the program induces industry to prevent injury and disease by making working conditions safe. Workman's compensation serves as legal protection for companies against lawsuits by workers, too.

Workman's compensation is just one example of an institution designed to benefit industry while claiming to benefit labor. There are many others. But only an organized, united workforce will have the strength to demand and get control over these institutions and end the rule of profit-hungry corporations in this country.

# BENEFIT SERVICES ASSOC. Citizens Fight Consumer Fraud In Waukegan

Ever gotten a phone call from a salesman who offered you a fantastic deal on carpeting, aluminum siding, or appliances? Most likely everyone can answer yes. There's a new racket going on all over the country —consumer discount buying clubs. These are usually much more sophisticated operations than the typical door to door salesman companies, mainly because they offer savings on products people really need and can hardly afford to buy with the high cost of living today. In the last year many families in the Waukegan area have been caught off guard with one particular company called Benefit Services Association of America.

United Peoples Organization learned about this company through Mother Jones Co-op. About one year ago Benefit Services came to the co-op and asked if they could refer the co-op to their members as a service. At the time they were a so-called "savings" program, but in reality were selling life insurance policies. We gave them permission without further investigation.

It wasn't until several months later that people started ordering food through the co-op from this company. We also began to get phone calls from interested families who wanted more information on the co-op. The conversations with these families were very peculiar at first. They asked about special discounts and mentioned their membership cards. After a couple of phone calls like this and further questioning we learned that Benefit Services had changed their program from selling life insurance to a consumer discount buying program. They were offering discounts on all appliances, cars, household products, and food. The food discount was the co-op. We also learned that the cost to join this "discount" organization was $498, plus $105 finance charge, plus $48 yearly membership dues.

We immediately sent Benefit Services a letter in late July, 1973, telling them that they no longer could use the name of the co-op for their members or in their recruitment for members, because of a conflict of interests. We understood that they were out to rip people off and the co-op was out to serve people.

The phone calls increased in numbers. We decided to do a full scale investigation of Benefit Services and the people who had joined the program. Here are some stories we were told by several families who joined Benefit Services.

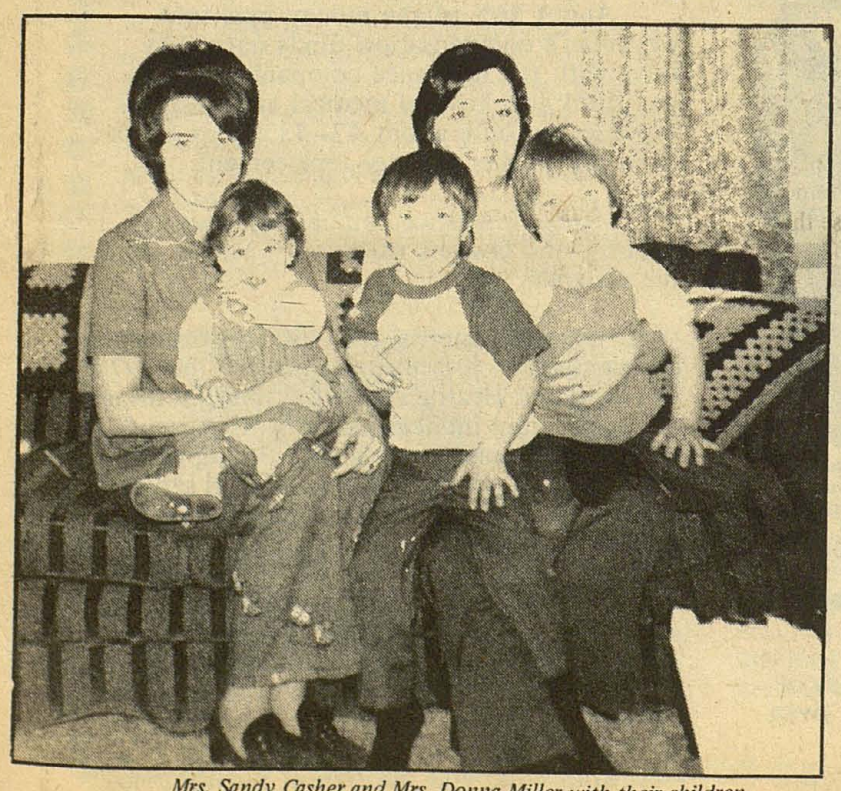
Mr. Orban Scaggs, father of ten children told us of his experiences. "I received a phone call last October concerning how to save money on the cost of living. I stated that I spent over $4,600 last year on food...Mr. Dan Baker (the salesman) came back about a week later and we discussed his program. If I joined his private co-op I could buy anything from a Mack truck to a safety pin at greatly reduced prices, by cutting out the middle man completely. As he walked in he said, 'So you're the one with the large grocery bill.' He had sheets, flyers, and lists, and names of stores, travel, drugs, etc. and a grocery list (no name on list). We looked at a list and could see that prices were cheaper. I asked if he was a member. He said, 'Yes, for three years.' He also stated that his wife had just bought cases of hotdogs for around $7 and the list price was over $9. They also had bought some cheese."

"He kept driving on the food and that we could save the cost of payments on food alone. He said we would get a list of groceries that week. We were to call our order in on Monday night and pick up the groceries on Friday, at the Faith Methodist Church. I questioned this and he stated that they were able to use the church facilities at no cost, another savings passed on to customers this way."

"He shoved the contract under my hand three times before I signed. I stated that because of the food end of it I would join...."

*Mr. and Mrs. Green*

Mr. and Mrs. Green from Waukegan received a phone call about saving money on carpeting last fall. Since they needed a new carpet they agreed to have a salesman come to their home. The salesman asked how much their food bill was, and if they were planning to buy appliances or a car in the next ten years. The Greens said they wanted to think about it, but were told by the salesman if they didn't take it tonight it wouldn't be available again. Although they have never signed a contract before during Mr. Green's off season (he is a construction worker), the package deal including discounts on food, cars, household goods, and stores here in town, it seemed pretty convincing. Later one of the children stopped at one of the stores listed as offering a 10% discount, Stern's men wear The Greens quickly learned Stern's had never agreed to a discount. There was also no further mention of carpeting.



*Mrs. Sandy Casher and Mrs. Donna Miller with their children.*

Don and Donna Miller, from Round Lake, signed up to win a prize at the County Fair last year. Later they were contacted by two salesmen at their home. They were selling food and discounts at stores around the area. Donna remembers it sounded like a store where you could buy anything at great savings. They joined Benefit Services under the impression they would be saving considerably on food. They also joined to buy a car which they were told they could get for $400-$500 less. When they eventually got a price from Benefit Services it was $600 higher than the car they eventually bought on their own.

Mrs. Dulaney, from Zion, joined Benefit Services to save money on food and applicances. "When we decided to try this buying service, I went down and priced a dishwasher and filled out the form. Well, it wasn't returned immediately and I finally received a phone call. I asked for a price quote and he (marketing director Rick Pisaur) couldn't give me one. When I received the information in the mail, there was still no price quote on it. We never did buy the dishwasher. But in their last news booklet, my name was listed as buying the dishwasher with a price quote. They spelled our last name wrong and put the wrong house number on a mispelled street."

Members from the Waukegan area found out how good the discounts were at the stores Benefit Services had promised. Most of the stores had never heard of Benefit Services. "I was quite surprised" said Mel Stern of Stern's Men's Wear, "absolutely we did not make any agreement. We got so many of these things in the course of a couple of months and I'm not interested in them."

Investigation was also done on Benefit Services' operations. Benefit Services' owner, James Seffren and two other men changed their operations last year to a consumer referral outfit after the Illinois Department of

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## editorial

# Syria-Israel Ceasefire: Not The Final Solution

The signing of the Syria-Isreali ceasefire on May 31 (see News at a Glance, p.13) has been heralded as a tremendous victory for the shuttle diplomacy of Henry Kissinger. While the ending of killing is always a welcome event, as is the return of the POW's from both sides, the ceasefire is hardly a solution to the Mideast crisis.

The major problem in the Mideast is that the Zionist state of Israel has stolen the land of the Palestinian people and on top of that has made any Arabs who reside in Israel 2nd class citizens. A non-Jewish citizen of Israel is not permitted to lease or work on state lands or lands owned "in the name of the Jewish people." The plight of Palestinian refugees living in tents in the other Arab states is not much better.

The foreign policy of Israel has been one of expansion--stealing the territory of the surrounding Arab nations. Israel's response to Palestinian commando raids has been one of massive retaliation against Palestinian refugees living in tents.

Until the territory of Isreal is transformed into a nation where all races and religions can live together as equals the Mideast problem will not be solved. The Palestinians have stated that they do not want to drive the Jews into the sea; they want to live as equals in a non-sectarian state in Palestine. When that happens, the Mideast problem will begin to be resolved. The Syria-Israeli peace pact doesn't deal with the Palestinian people, that's why it is not a solution.

*More than 500 "law enforcers" surrounded the SLA house in Los Angeles. Police fired wildly into the house, with total disregard for the people in the surrounding community.*

# Police Use Overkill Tactics Against SLA

The May 17 confrontation between the Los Angeles law enforcement establishment (including the FBI) and the Symbionese Liberation Army in East Los Angeles has been called a shootout. We think it was more of a shoot in. There were 6 SLA members in the house. There were 500 police-types outside.

At the time of the raid the police had no idea who was inside the house. Yet they proceeded to shoot madly into the house, eventually setting it on fire, killing all of the occupants. Although the official police account says that fragmentation grenades set the house on fire, many people believe the house was deliberately set on fire with incendiary bombs. After the house began burning the police wouldn't let the firemen begin their work immediately.

With odds of over 80 to 1 in their favor, we feel that the police could have captured the SLA fugitives, without letting them all burn to death. We feel this is just another example of the police establishment's total disregard for human life. It was, sadly, another example of police overkill tactics.

Perhaps even more alarming than the police department's attitude towards the SLA, was their attitude towards the surrounding community. Of course, it was a Black community so the police actions smack of racism. The famous scene of the black mother escaping with her young children in the midst of the battle occurred nearly half an hour after the intensive shooting began Why hadn't the police evacuated all of the surrounding houses before the assault began? With the house surrounded the SLA was not going anywhere.

We have been critical of the SLA in the past, but the massive violence inflicted on them by the police was totally unnecessary. It was criminal. Unfortunately, the quickness with which the police resort to violence and murder is not unusual; it is common police practice. The police became the judge, jury and executioner of the SLA. Is it any wonder that so many people distrust the police?

# letters to Rising Up Angry

## PONTIAC INMATES DEMAND WARDEN'S OUSTER

Dear Rising Up Angry:

We the prisoner population of the Illinois Stat Penitentiary at Pontiac, Illinois and families and supporters of the Prisoners are demanding that the Illinois Department of Corrections dismiss immediately the racist assistant warden in charge of security here at Pontiac, Roy Leathers.

In his years of service to the State of Illinois, Roy Leathers has revealed himself to be one of the most vicious racists and sadists that the prison system in the State of Illinois has known.

Roy Leathers and his racist peons were precisely the force at Joliet Penitentiary that forced the resignation of the Black Warden Felton and his administration when he was "Chief Guard" at Joliet.

Since Felton was forced to resign Roy Leathers has been transferred to the Illinois State Penitentiary at Pontiac, Illinois.

Leathers' sentiments have not changed and neither have his vile methods for the suppressions of Black and poor prisoners. In the weeks since Leathers has been at Pontiac, there have been many removals of prisoners from "trustee" position because they refuse to become informers on other prisoners; there has been excessive ticketing of prisoners, immediate reduction in grade (a sort of merit system) and excessive time in isolation for minor infractions of prison rules. Even the vicious beatings that were Roy Leathers' trademark when he was the head of the segregation unit in Stateville have started to occur again here at Pontiac in isolation.

We are asking the support of all communities in aiding us in removing Roy Leathers from Pontiac Prison. We are asking the families of prisoners to write letters to the Illinois Department of Corrections and to the following State Representatives demanding the dismissal of the assistant Warden at the Illinois State Penitentiary at Pontiac, Illinois, Roy Leathers. We prisoners will also write letters to these officials ourselves. If enough letters are sent to these sources it may cause the Illinois Department of Corrections to reconsider Leathers'appointment here and save so man prisoners' lives.

UNITED TO WIN STILL GREATER VICTORIES!!!

Pontiac prisoners

The following are the State Representatives:

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Chicago, Illinois 60636

State of Illinois Department of Corrections
Armory Building
Springfield, Illinois 62706

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# A Unique Women's Education

**Alvernia is a Catholic Women's High School run by the Franciscan nuns. Located at Irving and Lawndale on the north side, it is only 14 years old. Eleven hundred young women go here. One of the most progressive things about Alvernia is the "Wonder Program" and how the sisters involved have developed a strong women's education.**

## The Wonder Program

Originally started by some students who were dissatisfied with the education they were getting at Alvernia, the Wonder Program is 3 years old. The way it works is that the students draw up learning contracts with the school. These contracts say what they want to learn, how they can measure their learning, how, where and with whom they will do this. Both the student and advisor keep a general time sheet, write an evaluation of their work and of each other's participation, and make a general review after the semester. They get regular credits for this on their record.

Since the Wonder Program is more a process of many people learning different things together, the women that are in it are the best ones to talk about it:

JULIE: The good thing about Wonder is that it brings out the creativity that everybody's got, but somehow gets sealed up inside. Painting, for instance, I never thought I could paint. I freaked myself out when I looked at what I had done. You look at things - they look so hard. But when you know how, the method, it's very simple.

Even carpentry, making stained glass windows, and auto mechanics. Also you learn to get in touch with your feelings, learn to communicate with other people.

THERESA & DEBBIE: Here are the samples of water that we collected in the Chicago River, Lincoln Park Lagoon, and DesPlaines River, and now we're testing it for bacterial count - pollution. We went to a National Science Teachers Convention Workshop and saw it being done there. We decided to do it ourselves. This is only our second testing, so we can't really tell you how polluted they are.

SANDY (graduate of Wonder Program): You don't learn so many things you can put a finger on, like pages 1-100 in a textbook. You learn about yourself, about the city, how to investigate what you want to know.

LISA: The form of Wonder is different, but especially the content. In regular school you're still talking about George Washington crossing the Delaware and how he's the father of the country. The only women you come across as being important are Betsy Ross, Florence Nightengale or Dolly Madison because she was somebody's wife. All that's available are things like "The Life and Times of Lucille Ball".

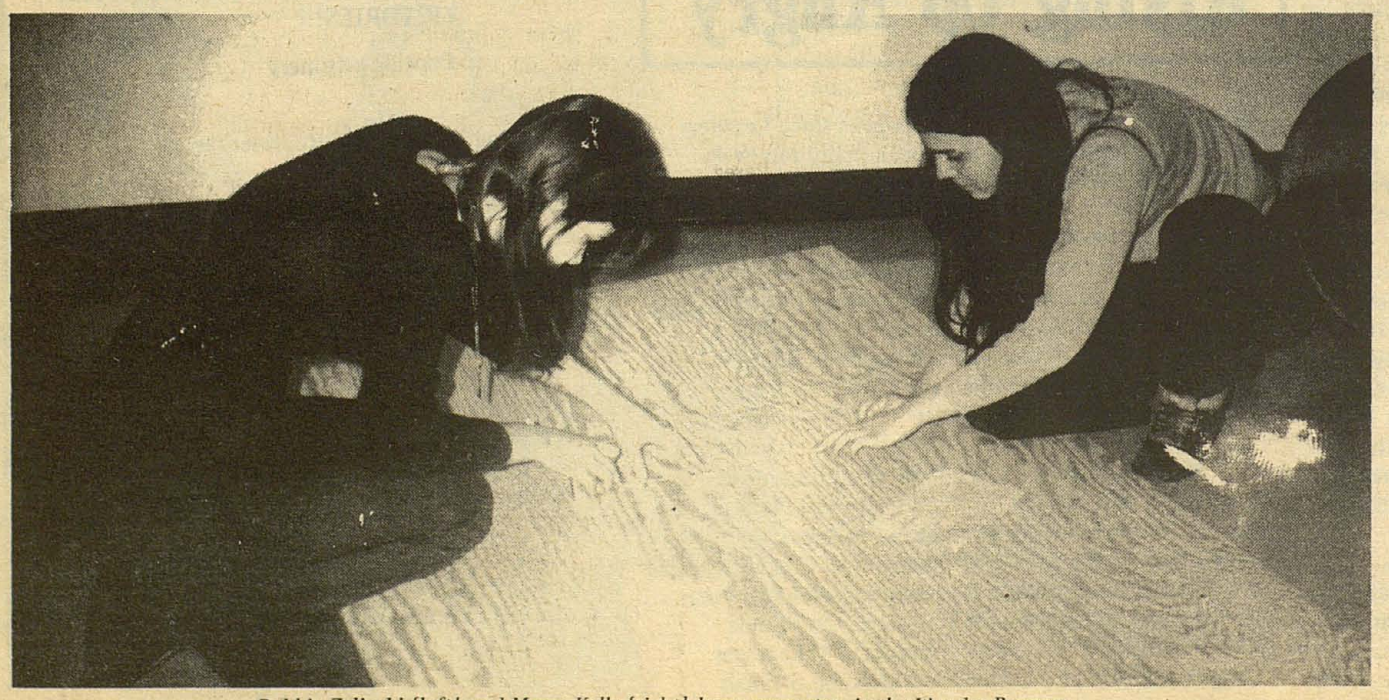
## Women's Liberation

RUA: With eleven hundred young women all studying in one place, Women's Liberation - studying women - would have to come up. How does it fit into a Catholic Women's School?

SANDY & LISA: Catholic education doesn't fulfill needs of women it's supposed to serve. The reasons for its absence are ingrained more so than in public school because they are religiously based. The Catholic Church has always upheld and reinforced women's traditional roles. Sometimes school keeps you from being educated.

DEBBIE: I took the course in Women in History. It made me realize how much women have been oppressed - like even yourself - in jobs, stereotypes. Even when you're just trying to cut the grass and neighbors ask you what's wrong with your brother.

LISA: It's even worse when you realize you're calling yourself a broad, a chick, or "girl". We're young women.

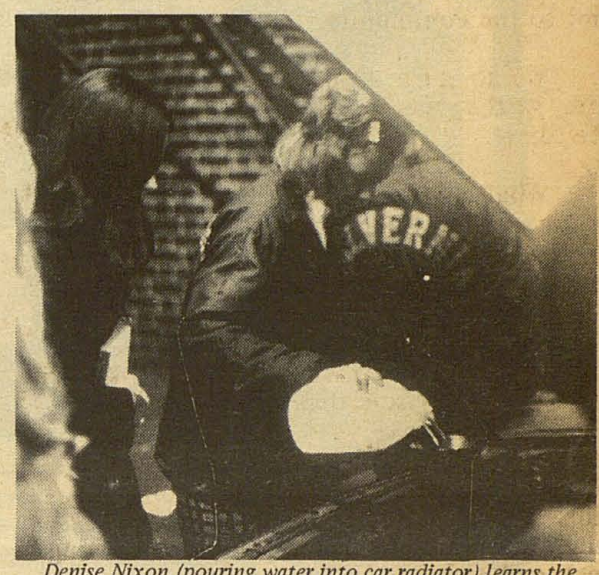


*Debbie Zelinski [left] and Marge Kells [right] learn carpentry in the Wonder Program.*

DEBBIE: Studying about women, Women's Liberation should be in all schools. It's just that it came up here and we're doing something about it.

LISA: At the beginning of the fall, Jeanine Kamper, a new staff person in Wonder, began getting together with us in Wonder to rap about ourselves, our personal lives. After a while there were about 20 of us (half the program). We were meeting once a week, and read a few things. We were beginning to see that the problems that we were having were just part of the large picture all women are facing.

Then Sue Nessbaum from Chicago Women's Liberation Union came over. She put a lot of things that were happening to us and to her in her life together. Some of us began working with the Union - some of our ideas helped them out too - like what was on people's minds, what people would be into doing. We put together our first women's play - which we'd love to put on for anyone. We think it's pretty good.



*Denise Nixon (pouring water into car radiator) learns the basics of auto machanics.*

At the same time we were trying to think of what things we could do for the other women in the school - a lot of us in Wonder are graduating. We had gotten high off of the International Women's Day March on March 8th - it gave us the energy to get organized. We began checking out resources and people who could help us out. That was the start of the Women's Resource Center.

Before we get into that, I just want to say that it was Jeanine's care and concern that carried us through all these changes. Her encouragement and enthusiasm supported us.

## Women's Resource Center

RUA: So a women's resource center grew out of the Wonder Program. What is this center and what are your plans for the future?

"So far we've talked to a lot of different people and groups to find out what's available for women in Chicago. Also we have made the rounds of trying to find anything about women in history and women today. We've ordered a lot of pamphlets and books - some of them are already here. We also want to get movies, slides, anything that will help us know more about ourselves."

"It's only just started. The real opening will be in September when we're all organized and ready to go. We are trying to figure out what to do and if we can offer something to people this summer during summer session."

*Denise Nixon helps out at the Northwestern School for Handicapped Children.*

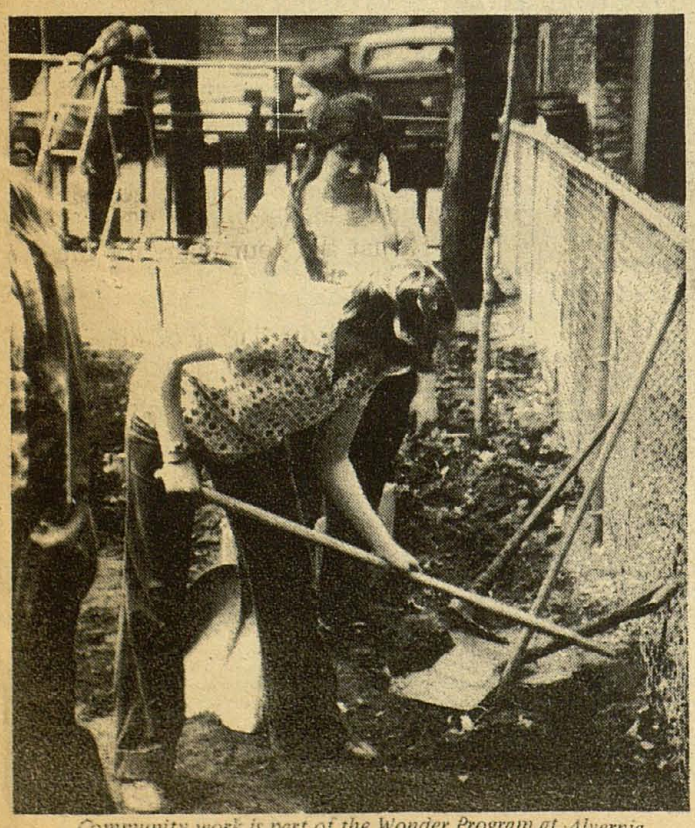
"It really could become a link between the Wonder Program and the rest of the school...and to people in other schools... and to the community.

"We got turned on to Women's Liberation, so there's no reason why other people can't.

"What could become important for us in this next year is to learn about our bodies, health care, women's history. We don't have to end up pregnant at 16.

"There's been some talk about getting together a picnic this summer of all the women and advisors that have been in Wonder these last three years - we hardly get to see different women who have graduated and are working, going to school, or have kids. People like me who were around when the program started really like coming back and seeing what's come of it...and letting you know what we've learned since."

The sisters in the Wonder Program and the Women's Resource Center are really getting an education. In turn, their education is being put to use to serve others. This is really great. Anyone who would like more information on how to start a program like Wonder in their school, a Women's Resource Center, or see the play, or just talk with them, get in touch with any of the Wonder Advisors or Students at Alvernia or call and leave a message with Susan Nessbaum at the Chicago Women's Liberation Union (953-6808).



*Community work is part of the Wonder Program at Alvernia. Here is Pam Schreiffles (in front) with Lisa Pecchia.*

# letters to Rising Up Angry

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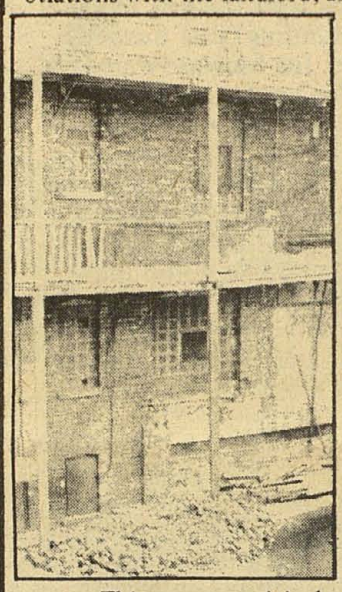
## HOUSING LAWS AID LANDLORD

Dear Rising Up Angry:

Decent housing is a human right or at least we have been led to believe it. Then why can Mr. Sam Goyal be aided by the Housing Courts of Cook County, so that he doesn't have to provide this right to 36 tenants (7 adults and 29 children) that are being housed in his apartment building at 3400 N. Halsted?

The building Mr. Goyal owns has been inspected by a half dozen city building inspectors, Associate Judge Benjamin E. Noveselski of the Housing Court, and by the Latin American Coalition. It has taken that same judge, Benjamin E. Novoselski, six months to determine that the building is unsafe to live in. After six months of hard, heated arguments and negotiations with the landlord, after six months of suffering by these tenants and after 5 visits to the court room; the judge told us, on May 23, that the building is unsafe and therefore is going to have to be vacated: "Because I don't want to have it on my conscience if one of those kids falls off the porch and gets killed."



*The housing judge waited six months before moving to fix the criminal living conditions at 3400 N. Halsted. The 3 story porch seen here has no bannisters while the yard below collects rubble and stagnant water.*

This was our original motive for wanting to have the building repaired, so why did he take 6 months to arrive at that decision? When it was the 96 code violations that we wanted to get rid of, and it had been our hope that this was what he was working on, not taking all this time to come up with getting rid of people rather than the housing code violations. This is not the solution to any housing problem and it is not the answer to ours either.

Who are these laws really protecting? The property owners? Weren't they designed to protect the dignity of the individuals? Why do they have to be so lenient on the property owners and so adverse against the low income individual? Is it because the low income individual can not afford nor has the time to play politics (for he is too busy trying to make a living) and in the long run is not going to jeopardize the high salaried positions in the Housing Courts? All Mrs. Dionisia Figueroa and her 6 children, Mrs. Teresa Diaz and her 8 children, Mrs. Evangelina Perez and her 8 children, Mrs. Julia LaSanta and her 2 children, Mrs. Carmen Hernandez and her 3 children and the Vita family are asking for is that they be granted the opportunity to live and raise their children in a safe place. Is that too much to ask of you Mr. Sam Goyal? We certainly don't think so!

Fabian Padilla
Chicago, Illinois

## BOYCOTT BORDEN'S PRODUCTS

Dear Rising Up Angry:

Elsie the Cow, that once "benevolent" bovine has turned rabid with greed and power.

Local 487 of the Textile Workers Union has been on strike at Columbus Coated Fabrics, a Borden Subsidiary, for over 3 months. Their demands are for a cost of living clause and elimination of occupational hazards.

Prior to the Strike, 100 of the workers began coming down with peripheral Nueropathy, a disease that causes lack of motor coordination. The disease is the result of the use of MBK, an asbestos solvent. There is no known cure. Borden insists that the plant is safe.

Unable to work, those afflicted began recieving Workman's Compensation. That is until the strike began. Since the strike, everyone receiving "benefits" has been cut off by Borden at least once.

Local support for the strike is growing. District II of the U.A.W. and the Franklin County AFL-CIO have endorsed the strike and condemned Borden's tactics. A coalition of community residents have formed a Justice for Borden Workers Committee. The organization is trying to raise money to prevent evictions and foreclosures. Both JFBW and TWVA Local 487 have called for a boycott on all Borden products: including Borden dairy products, Cracker Jacks, Wise potato chips, Wyler's drink mixes, Elmer's glue, Campfire marshmellows, Old London snacks, Cremora, Liteline dairy products and Aunt Jane's pickles.

Elsie Milks the Workers Dry!

Fred Lappert
Sauk Village, Illinois

## GAY RIGHTS

Dear Angry:

I have been reading your paper for many years, and I think that it's great how you support all minority groups so that all people, by working together, can do something to change our system of government and end the oppression that most people suffer.

But, in all this time, I don't remember your ever writing about gay people and their struggles to win some basic rights. I hope that this is only because you have overlooked our struggles and not because you are opposed to them.

Do you realize that gay brothers and sisters are denied jobs and decent places to live, merely because the people they love are the same sex as they are? No matter how right-on or revolutionary a gay person may be, even organizations that say they're for people's rights ignore gay people and sometimes even discriminate against them. The worst part is that, because of all the oppression that comes down on gays, they usually can't even protest--for if they say they're gay, they're probably going to lose some of their friends and alot more too.

There's not going to be a better society until everyone can get in touch with his or her own feelings and stop relying on stereotypes of themselves and others. I'd like to see RUA come out--in favor of gay struggles.

Love, peace and struggle!
Al T. Sonag
Chicago

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## STEWART-WARNER

A few of the thousands of Stewart-Warner workers on their way home after a hard day's work. For more information about Concerned Workers at S-W contact Rising Up Angry, 472-1791.

# concerned workers fight back

"Stewart-Warner–Symbol of Excellence" This is the slogan of the company. You can see it in big letters on the side of their plant at 1826 W. Diversey Ave. For its owners and management Stewart-Warner is a symbol of exellencec–excellent sales, excellent profits, the source of the life of ease and luxury that they can lead. But for the people who work in the plant Stewart-Warner is a symbol of something entirely different. For them S-W means Stolen Wages (their wages are significantly lower than the average for Chicago and especially for a large unionized plant.) S-W means Shameful Working conditions. (A woman died last year because of inadequate health facilities. And the rate of industrial accidents, level of noise, etc. are especially high.)

S-W also means Special discrimination against Women and black and latino ethnic groups. (One black steward with 15 years at the plant was recently fired for walking the wrong way from the coffee machine. Many jobs are automatically in the lowest labor grades because they are "women's work.") Even for the skilled employees S-W means that Skilled get Worse benefits than most places around. An assistant director of personnel had to admit in a recent interview that, "benefits at Stewart-Warner are only average–certainly nothing more."

Who is responsible for these conditions?

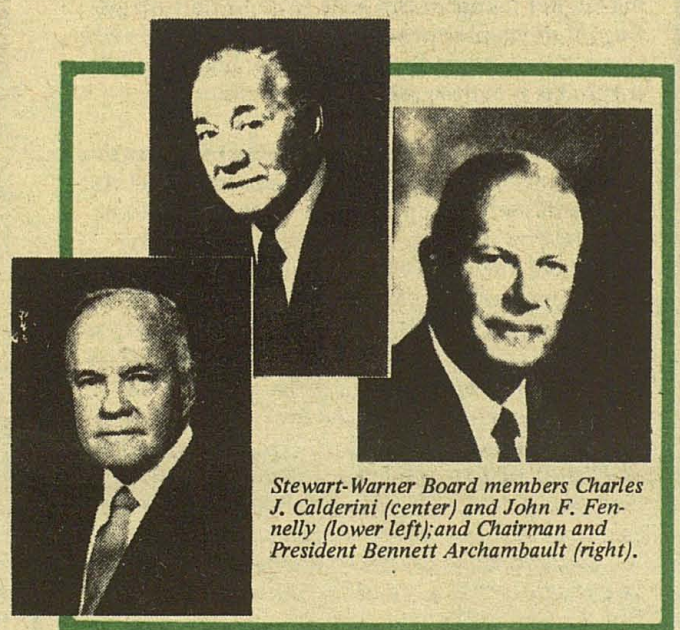
### THE MANAGEMENT

Management at Stewart-Warner is tied in very closely with the Nixon Administration and all of its scandals.

**Bennett Archambault,** chairman of the Board of Stewart-Warner (top man in charge of overseeing the entire operation) served as chairman of the Illinois Republican National Finance Committee from 1970 until 1973. In this position.he played an important role in raising money for the campaign of Dick Nixon. As a rich industrialist himself, he could easily gather the funds from other big Illinois industrialists and bankers. After all, he also sits on the board of Harris Trust and Savings Bank, several Kemper Life Insurance companies, Trans-Union Co., Union Tank Car Co., etc. In this way and through certain exclusive social clubs and associations he got to know the "right" people.

**Daniel Parker,** chairman of the Board of Parker Pen Company, was a director and "devoted friend" of Stewart-Warner. Bennett Archambault announced in this year's annual report of the company that Mr. Parker has now resigned his position, and will be "keenly missed." Where is Mr. Parker going? Dick Nixon just appointed him to a major governmental post–chief of the Agency for International Development (AID). This agency supervises many CIA-type programs in Latin America, Africa, and Asia. One of the most notorious is the training of police units for various dictators in methods of crowd control, stifling of dissent, and torture.

**Charles Calderini** sits on the Board of Directors of Stewart-Warner. He is also a partner in the Winston and Strawn law firm. The big downtown law firm (offices in the First National Bank Building) just happens to be the legal counsel for Stewart-Warner. As such they do all the legal work for the company. Things like writing a contract that is so complicated most folks won't understand it and one that cheated people out of part of their last yearly raise through a sneaky legal maneuver. Another member of this same law firm who probably did legal work for the company himself was G. Bradford Cook. Dick Nixon appointed him head of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), a governmental agency that is supposed to regulate companies like Stewart-Warner. Mr. Cook got caught in one of the Watergate related "cover-ups." Cook took the job under the condition that he would leave Robert Vesco (a multi-millionaire banker) out of an investigation that the commission had in progress. This was to be done as a "favor" to Mr. Vesco in return for a substantial campaign contribution. But this cover-up became uncovered and Cook had to resign after only 90 days on the job.



*Stewart-Warner Board members Charles J. Calderini (center) and John F. Fennelly (lower left);and Chairman and President Bennett Archambault (right).*

**John Fennelly** is another director of Stewart-Warner. His primary position is Vice Chairman of the Buying Committee for the Dupont, Glore, Forgan Investment Banking Co. The Duponts are a tabulously wealthy family who no doubt have bought a large piece of Stewart-Warner. The man who used to be in charge of the Chicago operations for this company was Maurice Stans. In this position he had to work closely with John Fennelly. Nixon appointed Stans as his Secretary of the Treasury and he later became head of Nixon's national finance committee. (Just as Archambault was head of the Illinois committee). Stans was the one who alledgedly made the deal with Vesco and then talked to his old "duck-hunting" friend in Chicago, Brad Cook, about covering it up, as head of the SEC.

These men are some of the ones responsible for the terrible conditions for the workers at Stewart-Warner. But the conditions that they have created have caused several groups of employees to get together to do something about the way S-W is run. One of these groups is called Concerned Woerkes.

### CONCERNED WORKERS

Because Concerned Workers has stood up to fight management there have been some improvements at Stewart-Warner. Concerned Workers won better health facilities by getting an ambulance and a nurse on each shift. They campaigned for 5 new "concerned" stewards in the union elections and won every one. Because of this many of the old stewards have ben fighting for the demands Concerned Workers put forward. In fact, Concerned Workers made the union fight for their stolen raise. Concerned Workers has filed grievances on job discrimination and has been fighting speed-up. One of the most important things Concerned Workers has done, has been to win people's jobs back who have been unjustly fired. The most recent case is one of the "concerned" stewards who was unjustly fired. 800 workers and most of the other stewards have signed petitions supporting him. Many workers are confident that he'll be back on the job soon.

With a group of workers who aren't afraid to fight for what's right and a management as terrible as Stewart-Warner's it's inevitable that there will be many confrontations. The big confrontation just might be when the union contract expires. The contract at Stewart-Warner expires next December, but conditions are such at the plant that people in almost every department, skilled and unskilled, young and old, black, brown and white, men and women, are already "talking strike." Next December, Stewart-Warner will not be a Symbol of Excellence for top management and owners but rather a symbol of STRIKING WORKERS.

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Shameful Working conditions
Special discrimination against
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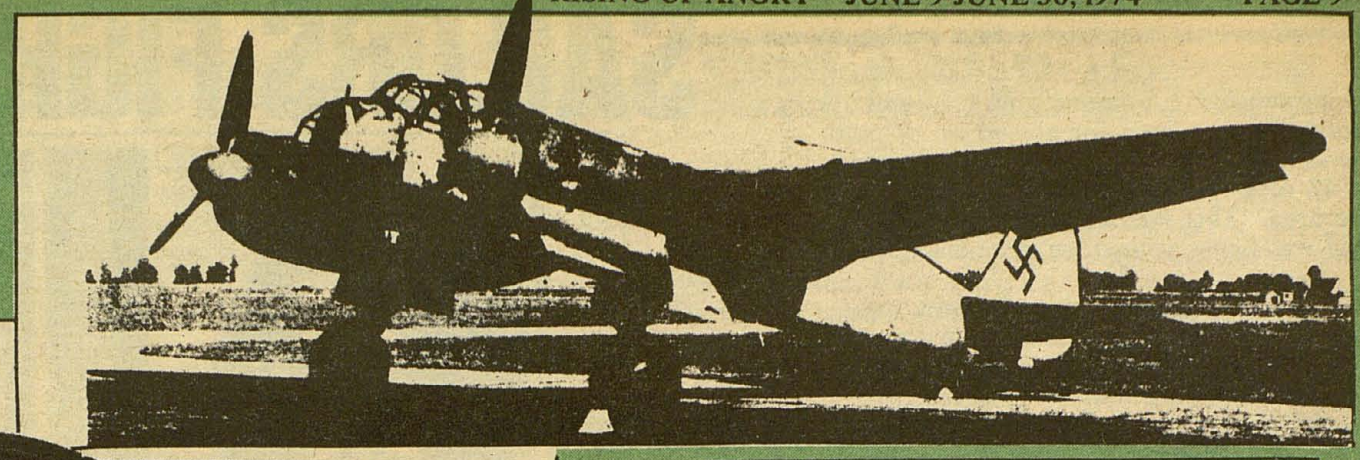
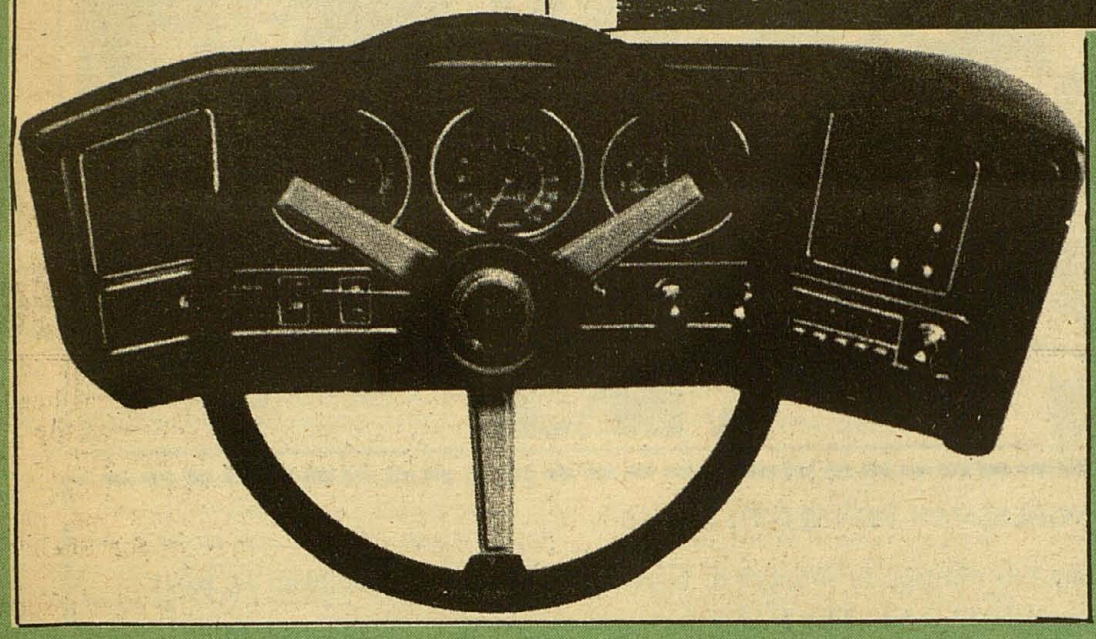
STRIKING WORKERS.

GM





# General Motors helped arm Nazis during World War II

Most of us were raised believing that during the second World War, the whole of American industry was converted into a weapon to crush fascism. Detroit was the "arsenal of democracy" with images of tanks and planes rolling off assembly lines that had been producing autos just a short time before.

What we weren't told was that the same companies which were providing the armed might of the U. S. were simultaneously supplying war material for the Nazis.

This startling information was brought before the U. S. Senate Monopoly and Anti-Trust Sub Committee by Bradford Snell, a research economist. Snells entire statement is available without cost from U. S. Senator Philip A. Hart (Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.) in a pamphlet entitled, "American Ground Transport."

During the 1920's and 1930's the U. S. big three automakers - Ford, Chrysler and General Motors - undertook an extensive program of worldwide expansion. In 1929, General Motors acquired Germany's largest automobile company, Adam Opel A. G. By the mid 30's the big three American auto companies owned automotive subsidiaries throughout Europe and the Far East. To bolster their worldwide profits GM and Ford became an integral part of the Nazi war machine in Germany. As owner of Germany's largest automobile factory, GM was a more important factor in the Axis war effort than either Ford or Chrysler.

GM's participation in Germany's preparation for war began as early as 1935. That year its Opel subsidiary cooperated with the Nazis in locating a new heavy truck facility at Brandenburg, which Nazi military officials advised would be less vulnerable to enemy air attack. The Brandenburg complex supplied the Wehrmacht with Opel "Blitz" trucks.

The outbreak of war in September of 1939 resulted in the full conversion by GM and Ford of their autoplants to the production of military aircraft and trucks. From 1939 to 1945 the GM owned Opel complex at Russelheim assembled 50% of all the propulsion systems produced for the JU-88 medium range bomber. By 1940 the JU-88 had become the Luftwaffe's (German Air Force) most important bomber and remained so for the rest of the war.

The Russelheim facility also assembled 10% of the jet engines for the ME-262, the worlds first operational jet fighter, the most important military aircraft to come out of Germany. With a top speed of 540 miles per hour it was more than 100 miles per hour faster than the American propellor driven P-510 Mustang, the fastest allied fighter. By producing ME-262 jet engines for the Luftwaffe, therefore, GM's Russelheim plant made a significant contribution to the axis' technological superiority in the air. This meant more deaths for allied soldiers and civilians.

On the ground, GM and Ford subsidiaries built nearly 90% of the armored 3 ton half tracks and more than 70% of the Reichs medium and heavy duty trucks. According to American intelligence reports, "These vehicles served as the backbone of the German army transportation system."

In addition, the factories of Ethyl G.M.B.H., a joint venture of I. G. Farben, GM, and Exxon subsidiaries provided the mechanized German armies with synthetic tetraethyl fuel. During 1935-36 at the urgent request of Nazi officials who realized that Germany's scarce petroleum reserves would not satisfy war demands, GM and Exxon joined with German chemical interests in the erection of the lead-tetraethyl plants. According to captured German records, due to the fact that the Americans had presented them with production plants and experimental knowledge, the methods of warfare would have been unthinkable without lead-tetraethyl.

In 1938 Henry Ford and GM's chief executive for overseas operations, were awarded the order of the German Eagle (first class), by the Nazis for their contributions to German wartime preparations.

Given the dominant position of GM and Ford in the war economics of both America and Germany, these firms had the power to influence the course of World War II. They could determine, for example, which side would benefit from their latest advances in war-related technology. Due to their concentrated economic power in both economies, they were able to shape the conflict to their own private corporate advantage. The more war, the more profit.

GM and Ford do not now nor have they ever recognized any nation or ideology outside of profit. After the war GM and Ford demanded reparations from the U. S. Government for wartime damages sustained by their Axis facilities as a result of Allied bombing. By 1967 GM had collected more than $33 million of the taxpayers money for damages to Nazi warplane and motor vehicle production facilities.

While many Americans patriotically defend capitalism, the reality of the situation is that GM, Ford, etc., will invest anywhere it can make a profit. After all, war is good business.

# SAILORS FIGHT NAVY

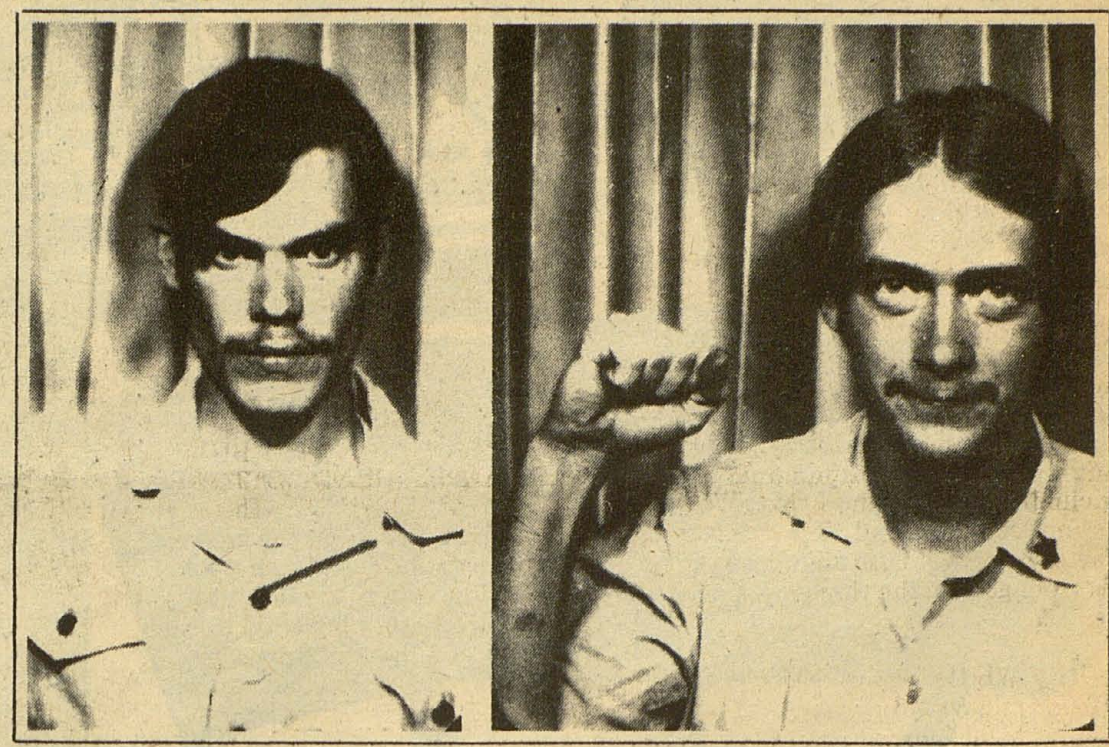
In December of 1973 a crew member of the Nuclear submarine USS George C. Marshall was busted for possession of marijuana. This crew member gave the names of 48 other crew members he claimed used the drug. This was a full 40% of the crew that was being accused of drug abuse.

Steve Barry and Norm Delaney were two of the forty-eight accused. Without any legal procedures they have been officially labeled drug abusers, removed from submarine duty, and placed in another job at Great Lakes Naval Base in North Chicago. Steve and Norm believe they have been wronged because the Navy has punished them solely on the statement of a person who has everything to gain and nothing to lose by accusing anyone he can of drug abuse.

Steve and Norm believe this is wrong and have decided to fight the Navy. So far they have gone through all the official channels. They have written to the Chief of Naval Personnel and to Congress. They have requested a discharge through the chain of command because the Navy has violated their contract. They have also been circulating a petition around the base asking for support from other sailors. So far they have several hundred signatures. (See below).

The Navy is not happy with what Steve and Norm are doing. The new Navy is supposed to be made up of happy, well-trained, dedicated men. But reality is different. The new Navy has serious problems with dissillusionment and drugs. So serious that they will punish sailors like Steve and Norm on the basis of one simple statement from an informer, without holding any type of trial.

People come into the Navy expecting training and job experience like the ads say. Soon they find there is more drugs than dedication and more hassles than training. Steve and Norm were members of the elite nuclear submarine service. They were Polaris missle technicians. But as Steve said, "Most young people just want out. You can put your time in, get what training you can, and get out." The Navy doesn't want this to get around and ruin their public relations drive for new recruits. The new Navy is a fraud and Steve and Norm need your support in fighting and exposing this fraud. Please circulate the petition and tell your friends about this denial of due process of law.



*Stephen Barry (l.) and Norman DeLaney*

● TO: CONGRESSMAN RONALD DELLUMS

I am signing this petition in support of Norman A. Delaney and Stephen D. Barry.

I believe the UNITED STATES NAVY has wronged seamen Delaney and Barry.

The following events have happened to seamen Delaney and Barry:

1. They were investigated for drug abuse December 26, 1973
2. They were not charged or taken to any judicial proceedings
3. They were removed from the Personnel Reliability Program
4. They were removed from Submarine duty permanently
5. They were removed from the Missile Technician rating
6. They were placed in jobs that are only for a four year enlistment and they enlisted for six years

All of this has been done to them without any avenue of appeal offered. I feel that they have been unjustly treated and can use your help.

● NAME ADDRESS

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*This petition to Congressman Dellums is legal to circulate on military installations. Please pass it around, have your friends sign it. You can attach another piece of paper for additional signatures. Then mail it to: Rising Up Angry, Box 3746 Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Illinois 60654.*

# Citizens Fight Consumer Fraud

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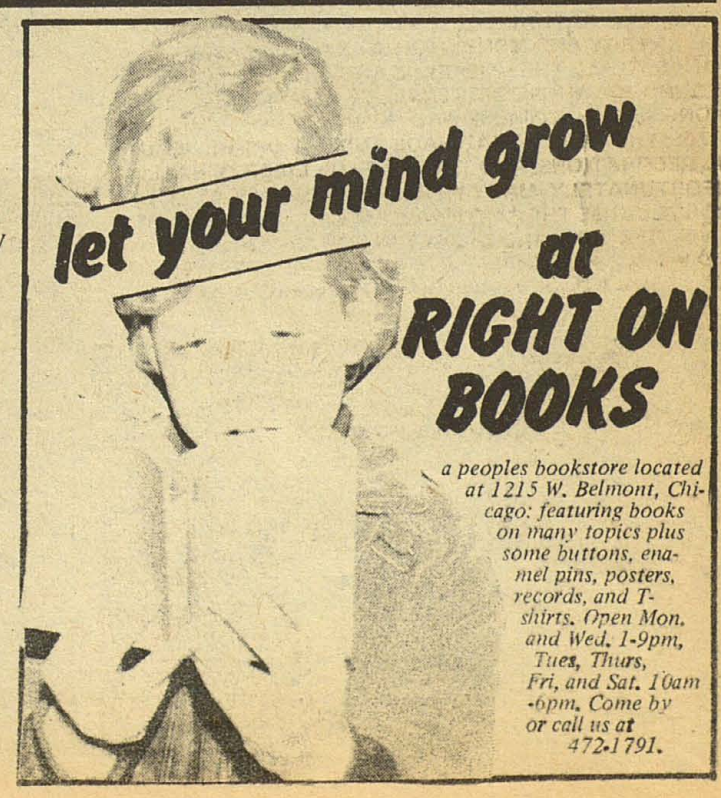
Insurance had them stop selling insurance savings policies. One of the services that BSA offers its members is a free legal checkup. A memorandum in Cook County Circuit Court files from the Department of Insurance states that the firm is represented by Chicago attorney Joseph Minsky, who conducts the legal checkup by advising a member "that he needs a will and other legal services." A later memorandum notes that Minsky told the department that no one has asked to use the legal service. It added that if Minsky had a request, he said he would not know to whom Benefit Services would send the person.

A couple of people from United Peoples Organization decided we had to deal with this company. We contacted a lawyer from the Rising Up Angry Legal Program, John Hendrickson, and he agreed to take the case. Our goals were to help get peoples' money back, inform the people in the Waukegan area about Benefit Services to prevent more people from getting ripped off, and have the company sued and thrown out of business.

We've had several meetings with many of the families involved. The case against Benefit Services is now in the hands of the Attorney General's Office of Consumer Fraud and Protection Division. Fourteen families have signed official complaints. The Attorney General's Office has the power to sue Benefit Services in behalf of the families and kick them out of the state. We have also had an article in the local newspaper, the Waukegan News-Sun.

Because many of the people involved in Benefit Services have gotten together to deal with this company, our case is much more of a threat to Benefit Services than if people tried to fight them on their own. We will continue our fight until people get some justice.


*a peoples bookstore located at 1215 W. Belmont, Chicago: featuring books on many topics plus some buttons, enamel pins, posters, records, and T-shirts. Open Mon. and Wed. 1-9pm, Tues, Thurs, Fri, and Sat. 10am -6pm. Come by or call us at 472-1791.*

# Boycott Grapes, Head Lettuce, and Gallo Wines

THE UNITED FARM WORKERS UNION IS ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT. We have built our own union in the grape and lettuce fields during more than ten long years of struggle with large growers. It is our union, run and controlled by farm workers–a first step to gain our self-determination.

WHAT WE FACE. For more than two million farm workers the average family income is lower than that of welfare recipients in Chicago. The average lifetime is 49 years. The death rate of our mothers and infants is 120% higher than average. We suffer from 260 times more illnesses. Eight hundred thousand of our children work in the fields. We pick lettuce for 1 cent per head. We face very big, very rich growers who use any means to prevent us from getting the things we need to survive.

WHAT WE HAVE GAINED. The United Farm Workers have won contracts for better wages, a hiring hall and an end to labor contractors...Toilets and drinking water in the fields...An end to the use of many poison chemicals sprayed on the crops that we pick and you eat...A medical plan, seniority, educational and day care facilities, legal services, and many other basic necessities.

WHO ARE THE GROWERS. They are very large corporations who make huge profits from the use of our cheap labor and the high prices we all pay. They have never allowed us to organize together without a fight. The strike in the fields is our first way to deal with the growers. These growers also hide behind many legislators, police, and now the Teamsters. Lately, the growers signed secret contracts with the Teamsters to make it look like a fight between unions. But even the California Supreme Court has recognized that the growers and Teamsters work together to try to prevent us, the farm workers, from keeping and building our own union in the fields.

THERE IS ONLY ONE FARM WORKERS UNION. Today thousands of us are on strike for the right to be represented by the United Farm Workers, and for an end to poverty and injustice.

UFW strike organizer Manuel Chavez meets with a crew in Coachella City Park. Coachella, Ca., to discuss strike strategy.

HOW YOU CAN HELP. BOYCOTT–DO NOT BUY–GRAPES, HEAD LETTUCE, or GALLO WINES. This is our second way to hit the growers where it hurts–in their pocketbooks. When you don't buy, growers don't make their profits; and this will force them to recognize and respect the rights of farm workers.

TOGETHER WE CAN WIN. We have built unity in the fields between Mexican, Chicano, Puerto Rican, Black, Filipino and poor white farm laborers. Together we have gained strength and dignity. When you boycott grapes, head lettuce, and Gallo wines, you help unity grow. Together with the farm workers you can build strength right here in this community. And we can insure that businesses will be responsible to the community.

UNITED FARM WORKERS.
939-5120

1300 S. Wabash
Chicago, Ill. 60605

# RUA BENEFIT PARTY

AS CAN BE SEEN FROM THESE PICTURES, THE R.U.A. BENEFIT PARTY ON MAY 18 WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO DONATED THEIR TIME, ENERGY AND MONEY FOR THIS AFFAIR. SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE MUSICIANS AND THEIR HELPERS (AROUND 30), WHOSE SPIRIT WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR A LONG WHILE; TO THOSE WHO DONATED THE DOOR PRIZES; THE CROWD THAT MADE AND PUT UP THE BEAUTIFUL DECORATIONS; AND THE STAFF OF LIBERTY HALL. UNFORTUNATELY, MANY WERE TURNED AWAY AT THE DOOR BECAUSE THE PARTY WAS PACKED. BUT WE MUST THANK THE 500 WHO DID GET IN FOR MAKING THE PARTY A MELLOW EVENING AND HELPING TO RAISE MONEY FOR ALL OF RISING UP ANGRY'S PROGRAMS.

# SOUTH SIDE FAMILY EVICTED, NO NOTICE GIVEN

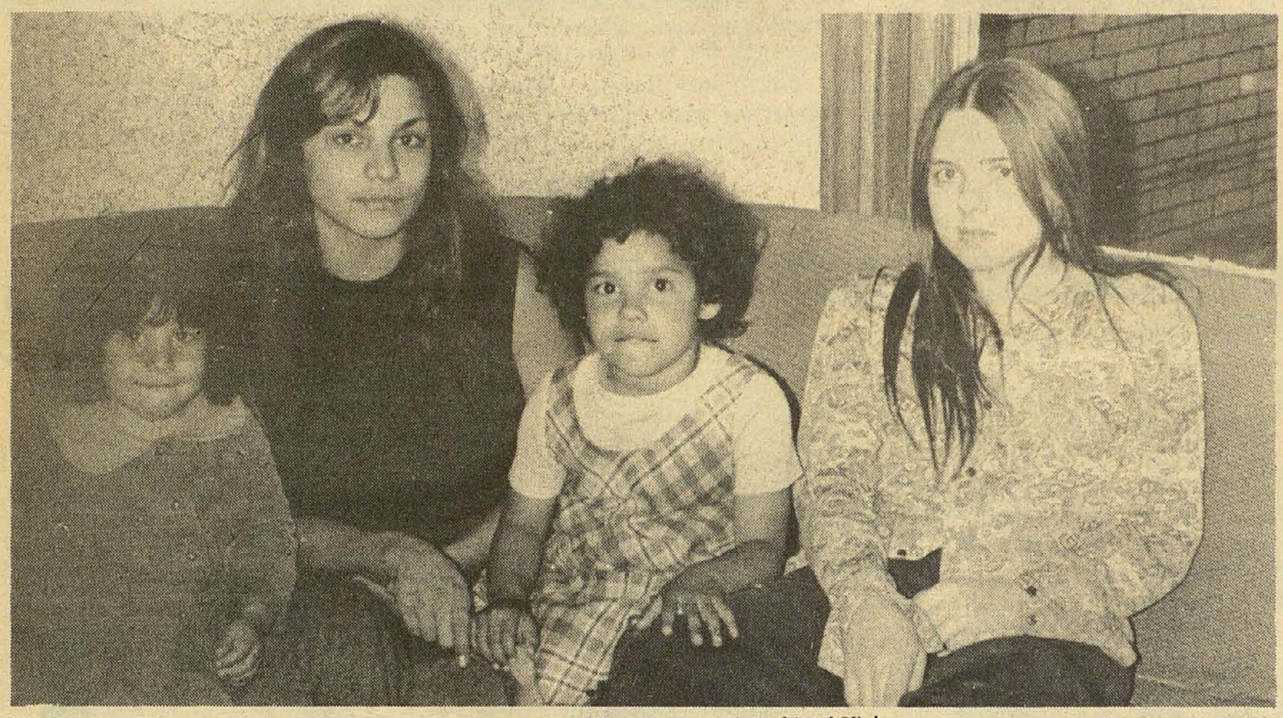
Last October, Cindy Villanueva and her two daughters, 5 year old Angie and 4 year old Danita, moved into an apartment at 3015 S. Lawndale. It's a 4 room, 2 bed room apartment. Cindy rented it for $125 a month from R.A. "Tony" Valdez, and Cindy started fixing the place up as soon as she moved in.

But the apartment had a few things wrong. The bathroom was not a bathroom. It had no sink, no tub or shower, no floor, and the toilet wasn't connected to any pipes. The apartment also had only one entrance. But Valdez promised to put the bathroom in working order right away.

As the weeks turned into months, the bathroom stayed the same. But Cindy is a patient woman. In January, Valdez told Cindy that if she got a plumber to make an estimate, he would pay to have the work done. A friend said that he would do the whole job for $50 labor, but Valdez never took him up on it. Things went on like that for months. No bathroom, but no other big problems.

Then in April, there was a death in Cindy's family and she went to Mexico to attend the funeral, while her children stayed with friends. Once in Mexico, Cindy found she didn't have enough money to return. She had paid the rent through May 1st, so she didn't have to worry about her home, and her friend Vickey was keeping in touch and the children were doing fine. Vickey was also watching the apartment for her, feeding her cat, and as a surprise, she was fixing the bathroom with money out of her own pocket.

When Cindy got back she got a surprise. Not a new bathroom, but a new lock on the front door. Valdez had decided he wanted the apartment for someone else, and had changed the lock, turned off the gas and electricity, and nailed the windows shut. All this on May 1st, without any warning to Cindy. Vickey, who could no longer get in, was told not to bother feeding the cat. Valdez's wife, Soncha, said that she would take care of it. Everything Valdez had done was totally against the law.



*[Left to right] Danita Villanueva, Cindy Villanueva, Angie Villanueva, and their friend Vickey*

*The bathroom after Vickey had started repairs. The walls are painted, the floor is covered, and the toilet is in place. A lot of time and $50 out the window.*

So when Cindy went to the landlord about the new lock and the refrigerator full of spoiled food, Valdez told her that he wanted the place for someone else, but that she could stay there until she found a new place, but not to bother paying the rent for May.

Cindy and her two daughters have been staying with friends since May 7th. When she returned on the 25th, to get her furniture in order, she found this note on the door:

> Cindy. If your things are not out by Sat. May 24th, I will put all your things outside. Will not be responsible.
> R.A.Valdez

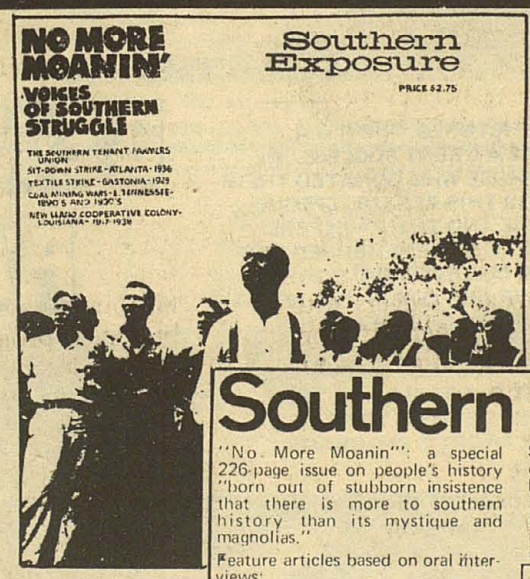
Valdez had already disconnected the stove and had moved it near the door. Cindy called the police. They talked to Valdez and told him what he was doing was illegal. Valdez replied that he didn't care and that he was giving Cindy 5 days to move her stuff or lose it.

The rumor is that Valdez wants the apartment for some friends of his. Whatever the reason, whether it's greed or selfishness, Valdez is breaking the law. He is just a small time pig, not a big-time Gutman or Wolf, but Cindy and her children are suffering just the same. If you have any kind of trouble with your landlord, big or small, contact one of the three Rising Up Angry Legal Clinics immediately.

# NEW LEGAL CLINIC OPENS IN ALBANY PARK

On Monday, June 3rd, the Rising Up Angry Legal Program opened a clinic in the Albany Park neighborhood. Since the closing of the Albany Park Community Center last fall we have talked to a number of businesses and churches in Albany Park to find somewhere that we could have a legal clinic for one night a week. Some people from the neighborhood suggested that we talk to the people at the Bethel United Methodist Church at Ridgeway and Cullom. We met with Rev. Durward Hofler and the church board and they liked the idea of being able to help people out through the Rising Up Angry Legal Program.

So if you live in the area of Albany Park and you have a legal problem or need some legal advice come to the Bethel United Methodist Church at 4256 N. Ridgeway on Monday night between 7-9 P.M.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# NEWS AT A GLANCE

## National

**Massive Police Assault Kills SLA Members**

On May 17, over 500 Los Angeles policemen and FBI agents surrounded a house in East Los Angeles where six members of the Symbionese Liberation Army were hiding. After a massive, televised shoot-out, the house caught on fire. All six SLA members inside were killed. The police assault on the SLA has been criticized by many people as being "overreactive" and showing no concern for the surrounding black community.

Police and FBI agents are still looking for kidnapped Patty Hearst, who has now joined the SLA, and Emily and William Harris alleged SLA members. In a related event, on May 31, the Weather underground, more commonly known as the Weathermen, bombed the Los Angeles office of California Attorney General Evelle Younger. The bombing was in retaliation for his role in the SLA – police shoot out.

Police surround SLA hideout.

**Government Plans to Use Defoliants in U.S. Forests**

The U.S. Forest Service has revealed plans to use some of the same herbicides that were used to destroy entire forests in Vietnam here in the U.S. The plan calls for limited use of these chemicals on the underbrush of many hardwood forests in order to kill most of the smaller plant life and insure a bumper crop of the more valuable hardwoods and pines. Studies of the use of defoliants in Vietnam have revealed massive instances of birth defects among the people in the area. The Department of Agriculture however assures us that the chemicals will be used only in areas where there is no risk to the public. The plan calls for use of 24-D and 2,4,5 - T (better known as Agent Orange) in 15 National Forests. Conservationists are concerned about irreversible damage to the environment as well as the destruction of wildlife in the forests. There is a further threat to any loggers who would be employed. The only benefit from this plan is to the big lumber industry who profit from the bumper crop.

**Former Attorney General Convicted of Lying**

Richard Kleindienst recently pleaded guilty to lying to the Senate Judiciary Committee. The committee was investigating Richard Nixon's order to drop an anti-trust suit against International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. The ITT Corporation donated $400,000 to the Republican Party in 1971. The guilty plea was the result of months of plea bargaining. Three top government probers resigned in disgust following the final deal in which Kleindienst was allowed to plead guilty to a misdemeanor. He was previously charged with a felony.

**Native Americans Demand FBI Agents Arrest**

The Wounded Knee Trial took an interesting twist as Indians surrounded the St. Paul, Minnesota courtroom in order to make a citizen's arrest of an FBI agent for violating the federal wiretap statute. The agent escaped through a sky light. Dennis Banks and Russell Means, leaders of the American Indian Movement, are on trial for their role in the takeover of Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

American Indian Movement leaders on trial in St. Paul, Minnesota.

**Nixon Accused of Using IRS**

Special Prosecutor Leon Jaworski charged the White House with using the Internal Revenue Service against Nixon's enemies and giving breaks to his friends. Special tax audits may have been ordered to embarass and otherwise harass Nixon's political opponents.

**Attica Defendants Beaten**

(Buffalo, N.Y.) - Six defendants in the upcoming Attica prison trials were beaten and several others maced while waiting to be taken to a pretrial hearing on April 29, here. The six prisoners were attacked when they refused to be taken through a dark tunnel from the jail to the court building with their hands chained behind their backs. On previous occasions prisoners had been injured because they could not balance themselves. Guards would also take the opportunity to jab and punch the prisoners.

**Study Finds Chicago Schools Inadequate**

A federal government study has documented the inadequacy of Chicago's bi-lingual programs. The study states that eleven percent of the public schools students or virtually all of the Latin background students receive inadequate education because of the failure of the bi-lingual programs. James G. Moffat in charge of the public schools' bi-lingual program admitted that the program was inadequate.

Some sisters from Tuley High School.

**Jury Probes Brutality at Cook County Jail**

A county grand jury is investigating the brutality at Cook County Jail. Investigators say that one former inmate will testify that he was attacked by 20 guards in September, 1972 during a fight with a guard. He said he was then handcuffed and dragged to a cell where Lt. Lester Sykes threw a garbage can on him.

Another former inmate told investigators that Sykes slapped him in the eyes with cell keys and then kicked him to the floor when the inmate was unable to answer a question concerning a fight on the prisoners' jail tier.

**Prices Up 11.5% – Corporate Profits Up 12%**

The Commerce Department reports that prices rose at a rate of 11.5% during the first three months of this year. At the same time, the Commerce Department reports that corporate profits rose 12% during the first three months of this year.

**Nixon Spends Tax Money on Watergate**

So far our president has spend $382,474 of the taxpayers' money on his Watergate defense. This raises the total cost of the Watergate case to about $6.5 million. All of these costs cover three grand juries, the Senate Watergate Committee, the prosecutors' office, and the defense lawyers. It is really a crime that Nixon is not as careful spending taxes as he is paying them.

## The World

**Israel-Syria Sign Peace Accord**

On Friday, May 31st, Syria and Israel signed a peace agreement that immediately silenced the 81 day war between the two nations. The peace agreement calls for immediate cease fire, exchange of prisoners of war, complete disengagement within 25 days. The agreement also called for a 1,250 man United Nations Force in the buffer zone seperating the two forces, with an area of reduced troops and armaments on each side.

In other Mideast news the attack on the Israeli schoolhouse at Ma' alot by three Palestinian guerrillas resulted in 26 dead Israelis. In return Israeli jets bombed Palestinian refugee camps in Libya. Their bombs and rockets left 50 people dead and more than 200 wounded. This was the latest in a series of massive murder of civilians by the Israeli government.

**Defense Department Admits Ecological Warfare in Vietnam**

The Defense Department has made public the fact that thousands of cloud seeding missions were carried out during a six year period in Vietnam. The cloud seeding was intended to washout supply routes and fill the dikes which were being bombed at the time. Then Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird denied that these missions were taking place in 1972.

# PEOPLE'S GRAPEVINE

Well, here it is – the new People's Grapevine. This page was formerly called What's Going On, but the People's Grapevine seems like a better name. For those of you who have been reading Rising Up Angry for a few years you might remember Stone Grease Grapevine. That was in the old days. For all of you dialecticians, we might say that this column is now the negation of the negation. But so much for philosophy, let's get to the news.

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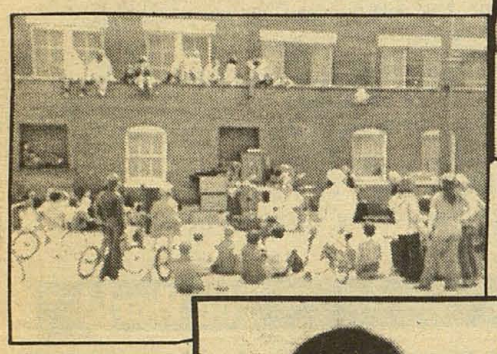
On Sunday, May 26, the annual **Frank Christodolos Day** was held at **Burley School Yard.** About 250 people attended the event which was put on by the people from **PBC** to honor brother Frank who died two years ago. Everyone who came had a good time playing basketball and digging the good jams supplied by **Taxi.**



*Some of the people who enjoyed the music of TAXI at Frank Christodolos (right) Memorial Day on May 26.*

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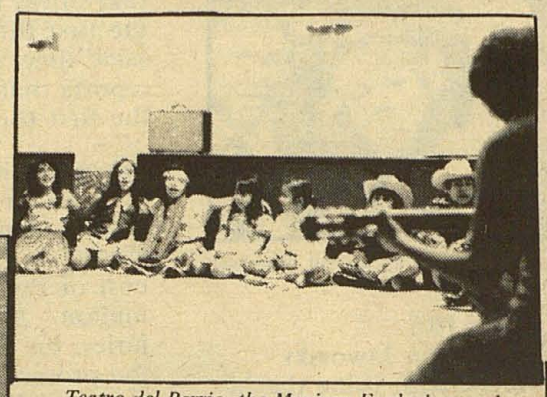
Over the Memorial Day weekend the **District 31 Defend the Right to Strike Committee,** a rank and file steelworkers' organization, held a successful conference. There were steelworkers from many cities who were mapping strategy for the annual United Steelworkers' Convention. The conference was topped off with a very nice picnic in **Eggers Woods** on Memorial Day. There was food, beer, music and speakers plus raffles for booze. Some older steelworkers said that they hadn't seen anything like this for twenty years!

*These children and a clown were among the many at the Memorial Day picnic of the District 31 Defend the Right to Strike Committee.*

**Latinos En Accion** in Bensenville held a benefit for the **United Farm Workers Union** on May 29. Children from the community performed dances, as did some of the women. **Teatro del Barrio** put on a couple of very insightful and hilarious plays about the lives of Chicanos (Mexican - Americans). There was a bake sale and beautiful music from the **Mexican Explosion.** This was quite a boost for the United Farm Workers and for all of the people who attended.



*Teatro del Barrio, the Mexican Explosion, and community children all helped entertain at the United Farm Workers benefit held by Latinos En Accion on May. 29.*

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Here's some news from the **Waukegan** area. Congratulations to all of the people at **St. Theresea Hospital** on your successful petition for pants suits. Keep up the good work!

Happy birthday to **Tony Henry** who turned three on June 9.

Greetings to **Sue & Jim Jastrzembski** from everyone in Waukegan. Hope you like Colorado. We miss you.

Happy birthday to **Steve Barry** from **United People's Organization.**

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Did you hear that actor **Martin Sheen,** who played in the T.V. program The Trial of Pvt. Eddie Slovick, turned down the Emmy award he was nominated for. Sheen said that the program was an argument for amnesty for G.I.'s who refused to fight in Vietnam. Because the program was not dealt with in that light, he felt the Emmy wasn't sincere and he did not want it.

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Get well greetings: to **Bernie** from **Brighton Park, Al, Jerry, Dianne, Marty, Bill, Scraps, Misie** and everyone else hope you get well soon.

**To Pete Deluca,** bartender at Gavin's Tap at **Barry and Paulina.** Hope you have a speedy recovery from your operation.

To **Mike Lyzack** from **26th & Pulaski.** Hope you're out of the hospital and up and around real soon, bro!

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Congratulations to **Timo and Lupe Rodriguez** who graduated from **St. Bonaventures** on June 2nd. As a matter of fact good luck to everyone who graduated from anywhere this year. The way things are going we all need as much luck as we can get.

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A fond **goodbye** to **Margaret Carrilla and Dr. Berman** who are leaving Fritzi Englestein Free People's Health Center. We will miss you very much. Good luck.

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Birthday greetings go out to **Rodney Martin** (June 8th), **Ann Stenwick** (June 18), **Dottie Neuschoefer** (June 6), **Marty Hill** (June 13) and **Tom Weeks** (June 1st).

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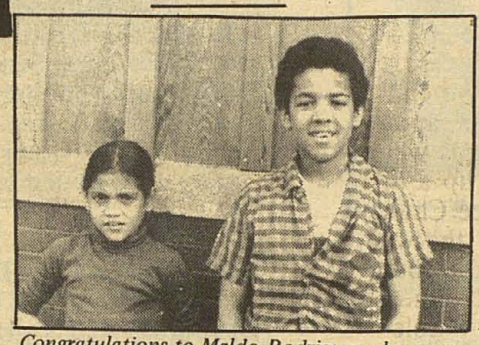

*Congratulations to Maldo Rodriguez who won first prize in a community essay contest with his essay on community clean-up. He is pictured here with his sister Tina.*

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If you want to donate some time to a worthwhile project you might contact **Project Support** at the YMCA at 38th and Wabash (624-0200). They have a program to help ex-convicts. Here's how they describe it: "We are located at the 38th and Wabash YMCA and service ex-offenders who come to us immediately after their stay in a city correctional institution. They are with us usually for a period of 90 days during which time we provide them with room and board and counseling and academic services. Our main goals are to get each client a good job (as opposed to temporary "shit" work) and to equip them with certain academic skills (reading, math, etc.). A major portion of the program is the GED academic program. This program is designed to give clients an introduction and preparatory guidance for GED testing. However, most of the time the reading level of the participant is too low to pursue independent study and thus, we are trying to set up a one-to-one tutoring system with each client who needs it. This would be on a weekly basis in the evening, probably from 7–9 or thereabouts.

If you have any interested readers who would like to share their time and skills with these guys - let me know. Believe me, they might learn a few things as well as "teach" some badly needed skills."

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Some convicts at **Stateville Penitentiary** have formed **Sevena Enterprises Incorporated.** The corporation is concerned "not only with improving conditions inside these bleak walls," but additionally in enlisting the moral support of community volunteers." If you want to contact these brothers you can do so through: **Mark Jaffe, American Civil Liberties Union,** 6 S. Clark Street, Chicago. . . or, **Prison Legal Services Project,** 73 W. Monroe, Chicago.

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The **Vietnam Veterans Against the War / Winter Soldier Organization** is going to be holding four days of demonstrations in Washington D.C. from July 1–4. The demands include: Universal and unconditional amnesty; end all aid to Thieu and Lon Nol; single type discharge for all vets; decent benefits for all vets; and kick Nixon out. For more information, contact VVAW / WSO National Office, 827 W. Newport, Chicago. The phone is 935-2129.

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As you can see there are plenty of things to do. Remember the grapes from the People's Grapevine are the only grapes you should indulge in. Boycott Grapes! Boycott Head Lettuce and Gallo wines (including Ripple and Boone's Farm) Keep on keeping on!

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Demonstrate to END Martial Law In The Philippines

On Saturday, June 15 at 11 A.M. the Anti-Martial Law Alliance is holding a demonstration that starts at the Civic Center. The reasons for the demonstration are to:

1) End Martial Law and restore civil liberties in the Philippines;

2) End U.S. Aid to the Philippines;

3) End unequal treaties between the Philippines and the U.S.;

4) End the slaughter of Philippine Moslems;

5) Release 20,000 Filipino political prisoners.

The demonstration will go from the Civic Center to the Federal building, to the Philippine Consulate and back to the Civic Center for the main rally at 2 P.M.

All people who are concerned about the fascist tyranny of the Marcos regime in the Philippines should be there.

**END MARTIAL LAW IN THE PHILIPPINES!**

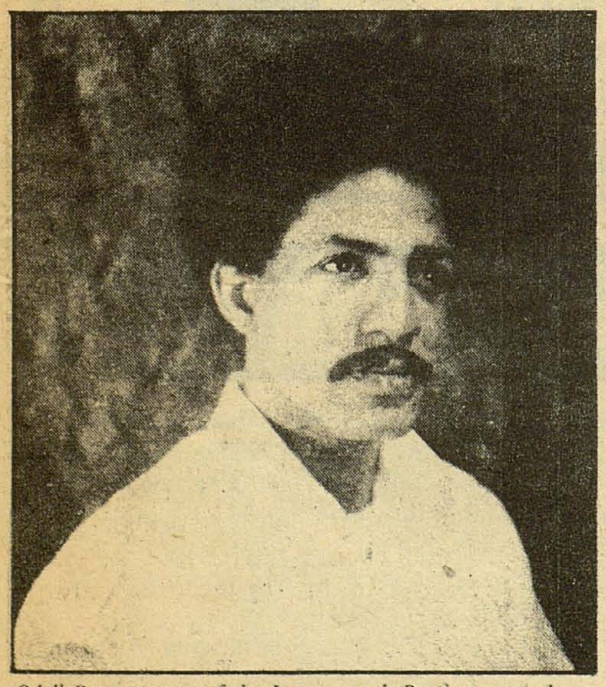
# LEAVENWORTH PRISON

# Federal Hell Hole!

Leavenworth Penitentiary. That name always sends chills up and down people's spines. Getting sent to the federal penitentiary. Television stories and rumors always make Leavenworth some kind of legendary hell hole. To the men who are imprisoned in Leavenworth, though, the reality is worse than any rumor or television movie. Conditions at the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kansas are terrible; the way the inmates are treated is even worse.

**After more than a year** of work stoppages, petitioning, and hunger strikes, the Leavenworth prisoners took control of the institution on July 31, 1973. The prisoners wanted freedom to read books of their choice, an increased number of Black and Latino prison personnel, improved medical care, freedom of religion for prisoners, the end of harassment of legal communications, and an investigation of a judge. Four guards were taken hostage and the inmates set up a nine man committeee (three Black, three Chicano, and three white) to negotiate with the warden. Warden Daggett agreed and the four hostages were released. Immediately, nearly forty inmates were thrown into 'the hole'—solitary confinement, twenty-six inmates were kept in the hole for over ten months and not one inmate's grievance has been dealth with.

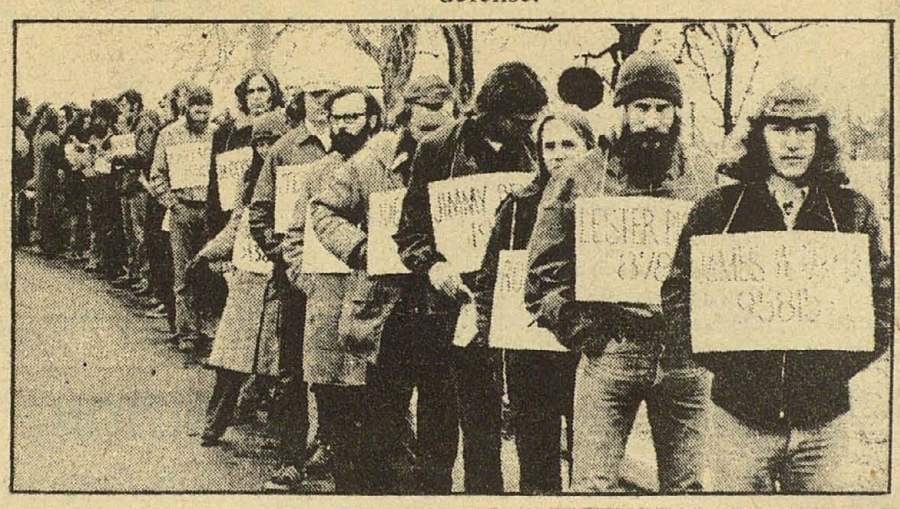
**On February 8, 1974,** a Federal Grand Jury handed down indictments against seven prisoners who participated in the rebellion on charges ranging from kidnapping to assault and murder. Of the seven indicted, four were Black—Odell Bennet, Alf Hill, Jr., Alfred Jasper, Jesse Lee Evans— two were Chicano—Jesse Lopez and Armando Miramon —and one was white—William Hurst. These seven men have been the objects of beatings and brutality by the prison guards and have been singled out by authorities for special harassment. Alf Hill, Alfred Jasper, and Odell Bennet have already been convicted of crimes allegedly committed after the rebellion. On Thursday, May 9th, William Hurst was found dead in his cell in a Kansas City jail, an apparent suicide.



*Odell Bennett, one of the Leavenworth Brothers, stated, "Prisons are closed societies. The guards are lying here because they do not want the public to know what goes on inside there. My real crime is my resistance to the inhuman conditions, my filing of lawsuits against the warden, and my membership in Vietnam Veterans Against the War/ Winter Soldier Organization."*

**The gross abuse of the rights** of these inmates has become a nationwide cause of concern. On Febraury 18th, Father Philip Berrigan led a demonstration in support of the Leavenworth Brothers as the seven are called. Lennox Hinds, National Director of the National Conference of Black Lawyers, announced that his organization would "totally commit its resources" to the Leavenworth Brothers case. Vietnam Veterans Against the War/ Winter Soldier Organization is actively working on the brothers defense.

*Lennox Hinds, national director of the National Conference of Black Lawyers.*



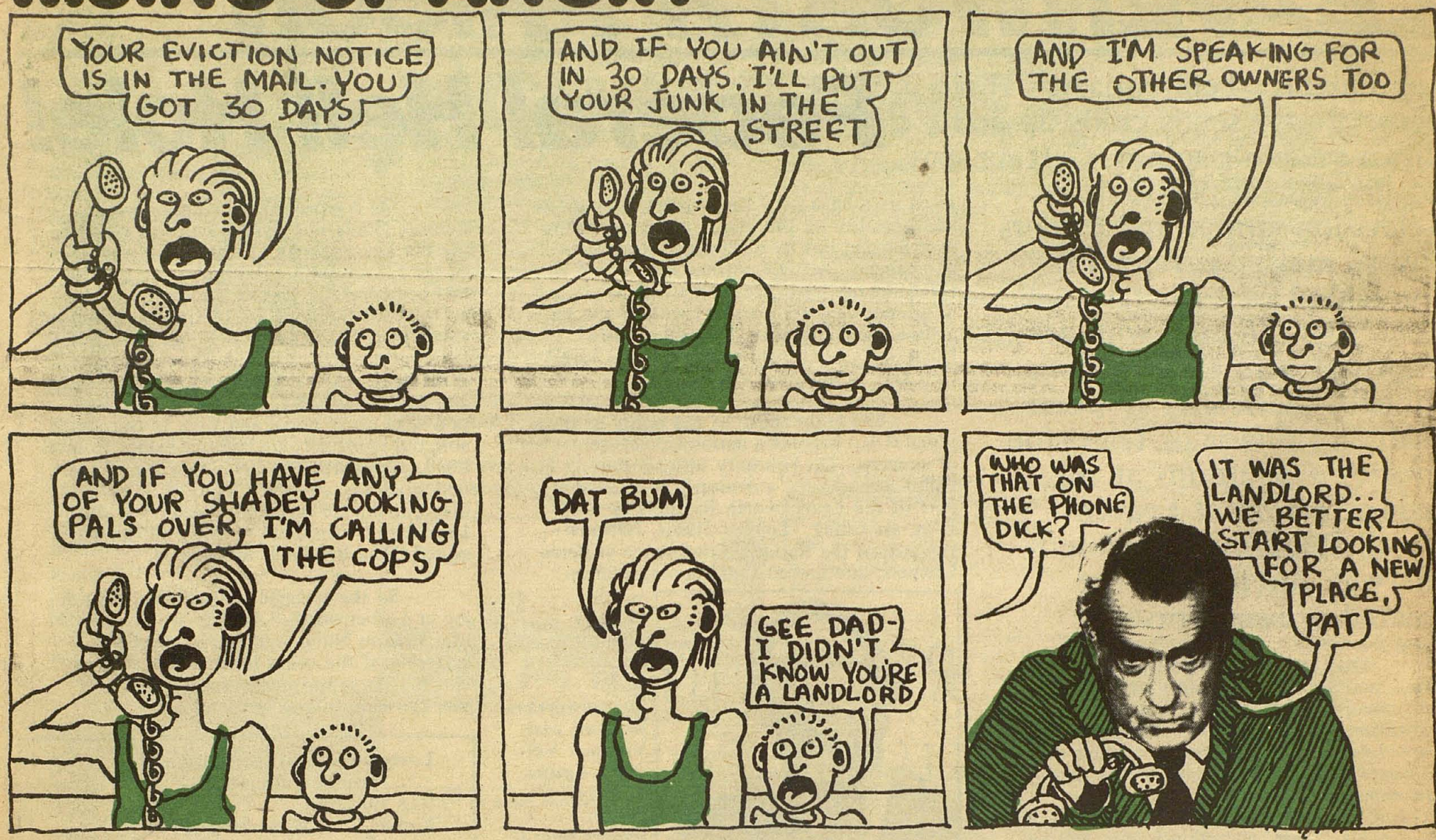
*Demonstrators carry signs with prisoners' names on them to protest the treatment of prisoners in Leavenworth.*

**On a recent visit to Leavenworth,** Lennox Hinds was given a petition supporting the Leavenworth brothers that was signed by 325 inmates. Naturally, the petition had been secretly passed among the prisoners without the approval of the prison authorities. In part the petition states: "We realize the Leavenworth Brothers to be a pioneer force dedicated to oppose repression, racism, and neo-slavery...We, the undersigned urge you with every nerve and fiber in our miserable but spiritually undaunted beings to save the Leavenworth Brothers from the unjustified 'pogroms' contrived for them...(because of)...our sincere love and concern for the Leavenworth Brothers." The petition was signed "The Brothers' Brothers."

**So the struggle for justice** is continuing at Leavenworth. Already it has cost one life, William Hurst, and the indescribable suffering of the other inmates at Leavenworth. These brothers need our help. If you can help in any way contact:

Leavenworth Brothers Offense/
Defense Committee
P.O. Box 5818
Kansas City, Missouri 64111

# RISING UP ANGRY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The Fritzi Englestein People's Free Health Center at 2747 North Wilton Avenue is a Rising Up Angry program. The clinic provides free medical care (mainly in the clinic's neighborhood due to limited facilities). When patients cannot be treated at the clinic, we send patient advocates with them to other medical institutions to make sure they get good care. The clinic is open on:

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For information, call 750-9408 during clinic hours.